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FALL
ATHLETIC SCHEDULE
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2008 – FALL ATHLETIC SCHEDULE – 2008

Wednesday Sept. 10, 2008

SOCCER B V	Noble & Greenough	A..... 3:15	SCRIMMAGE
SOCCER G V	**TUFTS**	**H..... 4:00**	

Friday Sept. 12, 2008

FIELD HOCKEY G V	**PINGREE**	**H..... 4:30**	**SCRIMMAGE**

Saturday Sept. 13, 2008

FIELD HOCKEY G V	**GROTON**	**H..... 2:00**	**SCRIMMAGE**
FOOTBALL B V	Cushing/Deerfield	A..... 1:15	at CUSHING
SOCCER B V	**ST. PAUL'S**	**H..... 2:45**	
SOCCER G V	Rivers	A..... 2:00	
VOLLEYBALL G V	**CUSHING/SPS/ EXETER/NH**	**H..... 2:15**	**PLAYDAY**
WATER POLO B V	N.M.H./Deerfield	A..... 1:30	at NMH

Tuesday Sept. 16, 2008

FIELD HOCKEY G V	**GOVERNOR'S**	**H..... 4:30**	

Wednesday Sept. 17, 2008

SOCCER B V	**BROOKS**	**H..... 3:00**	
SOCCER B JV1	**MILTON**	**H..... 3:15**	
SOCCER G V	Middlesex	A..... 3:15	
SOCCER G JV1	**ST. MARK'S**	**H..... 3:15**	
WATER POLO B V	Exeter	A..... 4:15	
WATER POLO JV	Exeter	A..... 3:00	

Friday Sept. 19, 2008

FIELD HOCKEY G JV2	**METHUEN HS**	**H..... 3:45**	

Saturday Sept. 20, 2008

CROSS COUNTRY BV+JV	Canterbury	A..... 2:30	
CROSS COUNTRY G V	TBA	A..... TBA	
FIELD HOCKEY G V	Loomis	A..... 2:15	
FIELD HOCKEY G JV1	Loomis	A..... 3:30	
FOOTBALL B V	Loomis	A..... 3:00	
SOCCER B V	Loomis	A..... 2:15	
SOCCER B JV1	Loomis	A..... 2:15	
SOCCER B JV2	Loomis	A..... 2:15	
SOCCER G V	Loomis	A..... 2:15	
SOCCER G JV1	Loomis	A..... 2:15	
SOCCER G JV2	Loomis	A..... 2:15	
VOLLEYBALL G V	Loomis	A..... 2:30	
VOLLEYBALL G JV	Loomis	A..... 2:30	
WATER POLO B V	Loomis/Suffield	A..... 3:15	at LOOMIS

Monday Sept. 22, 2008

SOCCER B V	**ST. JOHN'S PREP**	**H..... 3:45**	
SOCCER B JV3	**ST. JOHN'S PREP**	**H..... 3:45**	
VOLLEYBALL G JV	**METHUEN H.S.**	**H..... 3:45**	

Wednesday Sept. 24, 2008

FIELD HOCKEY G JV1	**SHORE COUNTRY DAY**	**H..... 3:30**	
FIELD HOCKEY G JV2	**GROTON**	**H..... 3:00**	
FOOTBALL B JV1	**CUSHING**	**H..... 3:00**	
SOCCER B V	**HOLDERNESS**	**H..... 3:30**	
SOCCER B JV1	**ST. JOHN'S PREP**	**H..... 3:30**	
SOCCER B JV3	**CENTRAL CATHOLIC**	**H..... 3:30**	
SOCCER G JV2	**GROTON**	**H..... 3:00**	
VOLLEYBALL G V	**ST. PAUL'S**	**H..... 3:00**	

Thursday Sept. 25, 2008

FIELD HOCKEY G V	**BROOKS**	**H..... 4:30**	
SOCCER G V	**BROOKS**	**H..... 4:30**	
SOCCER G JV1	**BROOKS**	**H..... 4:30**	

Friday Sept. 26, 2008

FIELD HOCKEY G JV2	Brooks	A..... 4:15	
SOCCER B JV2	**ANDOVER HS**	**H..... 3:45**	

Saturday Sept. 27, 2008

CROSS COUNTRY BV+JV	**ANDOVER DEV. INV.**	**H..... 3:00**	
CROSS COUNTRY G V	**ANDOVER DEV. INV.**	**H..... 3:00**	
FIELD HOCKEY G V	**TABOR**	**H..... 5:15**	
FIELD HOCKEY G JV1	**TABOR**	**H..... 3:15**	
SOCCER B V	**TABOR**	**H..... 3:15**	
SOCCER B JV1	**TABOR**	**H..... 3:15**	
SOCCER G V	**TABOR**	**H..... 6:45**	
SOCCER G JV1	**TABOR**	**H..... 3:15**	
VOLLEYBALL G V	N.M.H./Taft	A..... 2:00	at NMH
VOLLEYBALL G JV	N.M.H./Taft	A..... 2:00	at NMH
WATER POLO B V	Williston/Hotchkiss	A..... 2:30	at WILLISTON

Sunday Sept. 28, 2008

FOOTBALL B V	Tufts	A..... 1:00	

Monday Sept. 29, 2008

VOLLEYBALL G V	**ANDOVER HS**	**H..... 3:45**	**SCRIMMAGE**
VOLLEYBALL G JV	**ANDOVER HS**	**H..... 3:45**	**SCRIMMAGE**

Wednesday October 1, 2008

FIELD HOCKEY G V	**ST. MARK'S**	**H..... 3:15**	
FIELD HOCKEY G JV1	**ST. MARK'S**	**H..... 4:30**	
FIELD HOCKEY G JV2	Andover HS	A..... 3:30	
FOOTBALL B JV1	**HYDE (ME)**	**H..... 3:30**	
SOCCER B V	Taft	A..... 3:30	at DEERFIELD
SOCCER G JV2	**MILTON**	**H..... 3:30**	
WATER POLO B V	**SUFFIELD**	**H..... 3:30**	
WATER POLO JV	**SUFFIELD**	**H..... 2:15**	

Saturday October 4, 2008

CROSS COUNTRY BV+JV	Choate	A..... 5:00	
CROSS COUNTRY G V	Choate	A..... 5:30	
FIELD HOCKEY G V	Choate	A..... 4:45	
FIELD HOCKEY G JV1	Choate	A..... 4:45	
FIELD HOCKEY G JV2	Choate	A..... 2:30	
FOOTBALL B V	Choate	A..... 6:00	
SOCCER B V	Choate	A..... 4:45	
SOCCER B JV1	Choate	A..... 4:45	
SOCCER B JV2	Choate	A..... 2:30	
SOCCER G V	Choate	A..... 4:45	
SOCCER G JV1	Choate	A..... 4:45	
SOCCER G JV2	Choate	A..... 2:30	
VOLLEYBALL G V	Choate	A..... 5:00	
VOLLEYBALL G JV	Choate	A..... 5:00	
WATER POLO B V	Choate/Hopkins	A..... 5:00	

Monday October 6, 2008

VOLLEYBALL G JV	**METHUEN H.S.**	**H..... 3:45**	

Wednesday October 8, 2008

CROSS COUNTRY BV+JV	St. Paul's/NMH	A..... 3:30	at St. Paul's
CROSS COUNTRY G V	St. Paul's/NMH	A..... 4:00	at St. Paul's
CROSS COUNTRY G JV	St. Paul's/NMH	A..... 4:00	at St. Paul's
FIELD HOCKEY G V	Milton	A..... 3:00	
FIELD HOCKEY G JV1	Milton	A..... 3:00	
FOOTBALL B JV1	Thayer	A..... 2:45	
SOCCER B V	Winchendon	A..... 2:45	
SOCCER B JV1	Andover HS	A..... 3:30	
SOCCER B JV2	Andover HS	A..... 3:30	
SOCCER G V	**GOVERNOR'S**	**H..... 3:00**	
SOCCER G JV1	**GOVERNOR'S**	**H..... 3:00**	
SOCCER G JV2	**BROOKS**	**H..... 3:00**	

Saturday October 11, 2008

FIELD HOCKEY G V	**NOBLE & GREENOUGH**	**H..... 3:00**	
FIELD HOCKEY G JV1	**NOBLE & GREENOUGH**	**H..... 3:15**	
FIELD HOCKEY G JV2	**NORTH ANDOVER**	**H..... 2:00**	
FOOTBALL B V	**CUSHING**	**H..... 6:30**	
SOCCER B V	Tilton	A..... 2:00	
SOCCER B JV1	New Hampton	A..... 1:30	
SOCCER G V	**NOBLE & GREENOUGH**	**H..... 3:00**	
SOCCER G JV1	**NOBLE & GREENOUGH**	**H..... 3:00**	
VOLLEYBALL G V	New Hampton	A..... 2:15	
VOLLEYBALL G JV	New Hampton	A..... 2:15	
WATER POLO B V	**ST. JOHN'S PREP**	**H..... 1:00**	
WATER POLO JV	**ST. JOHN'S PREP**	**H..... 2:30**	

Wednesday October 15, 2008

FIELD HOCKEY G V	**MIDDLESEX**	**H..... 3:15**	
FIELD HOCKEY G JV1	**MIDDLESEX**	**H..... 4:30**	
SOCCER B JV2	**BELMONT HILL**	**H..... 3:15**	
SOCCER B JV3	Lawrence Academy	A..... 3:00	
SOCCER G V	St. Paul's	A..... 3:30	
SOCCER G JV1	St. Paul's	A..... 3:30	
VOLLEYBALL G V	Exeter	A..... 3:15	
VOLLEYBALL G JV	Exeter	A..... 3:15	

Thursday October 16, 2008

SOCCER B JV1	**METHUEN H.S.**	**H..... 3:45**	

Friday October 17, 2008

FIELD HOCKEY G JV2	**ANDOVER HS**	**H..... 3:45**	
SOCCER B JV3	Pike School	A..... 3:45	

Saturday October 18, 2008

CROSS COUNTRY BV+JV	N.M.H.	A..... 3:00	
CROSS COUNTRY G V	N.M.H.	A..... 3:30	
CROSS COUNTRY G JV	N.M.H.	A..... 3:30	
FIELD HOCKEY G V	N.M.H.	A..... 3:00	
FIELD HOCKEY G JV1	N.M.H.	A..... 3:00	
FIELD HOCKEY G JV2	N.M.H.	A..... 2:30	
FOOTBALL B V	N.M.H.	A..... 3:00	
FOOTBALL B JV1	N.M.H.	A..... 2:30	
SOCCER B V	N.M.H.	A..... 3:00	
SOCCER B JV1	N.M.H.	A..... 3:00	
SOCCER B JV2	N.M.H.	A..... 2:30	
SOCCER G V	N.M.H.	A..... 3:00	
SOCCER G JV1	N.M.H.	A..... 3:00	
SOCCER G JV2	N.M.H.	A..... 2:30	
VOLLEYBALL G V	N.M.H.	A..... 3:00	
VOLLEYBALL G JV	N.M.H.	A..... 3:00	
WATER POLO B V	N.M.H.	A..... 3:00	

Monday October 20, 2008

FIELD HOCKEY G JV2	**METHUEN H.S.**	**H..... 2.45**	

Wednesday October 22, 2008

FIELD HOCKEY G V	St. Paul's	A..... 3:30	
FIELD HOCKEY G JV1	St. Paul's	A..... 3:30	
SOCCER B V	**CUSHING**	**H..... 3:30**	
SOCCER B JV1	CUSHING	A..... 3:30	
SOCCER B JV2	**ANDOVER HS**	**H..... 3:30**	
SOCCER B JV3	Groton	A..... 3:00	
SOCCER G V	Thayer	A..... 3:15	
SOCCER G JV1	Thayer	A..... 3:15	

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SOCCER G JV2	Winsor	A..... 3:15	
VOLLEYBALL G V	Hotchkiss	A..... 3:45	at WORCESTER
VOLLEYBALL G JV	**METHUEN HS**	**H..... 3:30**	
WATER POLO B V	**ST. JOHN'S PREP**	**H..... 3:45**	
WATER POLO JV	**ST. JOHN'S PREP**	**H..... 5:00**	

Friday October 24, 2008

FIELD HOCKEY G V	**DEERFIELD**	**H..... 6:30**	

Saturday October 25, 2008

CROSS COUNTRY BV+JV	**DEERFIELD**	**H..... 4:15**	
CROSS COUNTRY G V	**DEERFIELD**	**H..... 3:45**	
CROSS COUNTRY G JV	**DEERFIELD**	**H..... 3:45**	
FIELD HOCKEY G JV1	**DEERFIELD**	**H..... 3:15**	
FIELD HOCKEY G JV2	**DEERFIELD**	**H..... 2:00**	
FOOTBALL B V	**DEERFIELD**	**H..... 3:30**	
FOOTBALL B JV1	**DEERFIELD**	**H..... 3:15**	
SOCCER B V	**DEERFIELD**	**H..... 3:15**	
SOCCER B JV1	**DEERFIELD**	**H..... 3:15**	
SOCCER B JV2	**DEERFIELD**	**H..... 2:00**	
SOCCER B JV3	**DEERFIELD**	**H..... 2:00**	
SOCCER G V	**DEERFIELD**	**H..... 3:15**	
SOCCER G JV1	**DEERFIELD**	**H..... 3:15**	
SOCCER G JV2	**DEERFIELD**	**H..... 2:00**	
VOLLEYBALL G V	**DEERFIELD**	**H..... 3:45**	
VOLLEYBALL G JV	**DEERFIELD**	**H..... 3:45**	
WATER POLO B V	**DEERFIELD**	**H..... 4:45**	
WATER POLO JV	**DEERFIELD**	**H..... 3:15**	

Wednesday October 29, 2008

FIELD HOCKEY G V	B. B. & N.	A..... 3:15	
FIELD HOCKEY G JV1	B. B. & N.	A..... 4:30	
FOOTBALL B JV1	**ST. JOHN'S PREP**	**H..... 3:00**	
SOCCER B V	Worcester	A..... 3:15	
SOCCER B JV2	**BROOKS**	**H..... 3:15**	
SOCCER G V	**B. B. & N.**	**H..... 2:45**	
SOCCER G JV1	**B. B. & N.**	**H..... 2:45**	
SOCCER G JV2	**PIKE SCHOOL**	**H..... 3:00**	
VOLLEYBALL G V	St. Paul's	A..... 3:30	
VOLLEYBALL G JV	**ANDOVER HS**	**H..... 3:45**	**SCRIMMAGE**
WATER POLO B V	**EXETER**	**H..... 3:00**	
WATER POLO JV	**EXETER**	**H..... 4:15**	

Saturday November 1, 2008

CROSS COUNTRY BV+JV	Exeter	A..... 3:15	
CROSS COUNTRY G V	Exeter	A..... 3:30	
CROSS COUNTRY G JV	Exeter	A..... 3:30	
FIELD HOCKEY G V	Cushing	A..... 3:15	
FOOTBALL B V	Worcester	A..... 6:00	
SOCCER B V	**K.U.A.**	**H..... 6:00**	
SOCCER G V	Pingree	A..... 2:30	
VOLLEYBALL G JV	**WINCHENDON**	**H..... 4:00**	

Sunday November 2, 2008

VOLLEYBALL G V	All Star	A..... 11:00	

Wednesday November 5, 2008

FIELD HOCKEY G JV1	Exeter	A..... 2:45	
FOOTBALL B JV1	Exeter	A..... 4:30	
SOCCER B V	New Hampton	A..... 2:45	
SOCCER B JV1	Exeter	A..... 2:45	
SOCCER B JV2	**LAWRENCE ACADEMY**	**H..... 2:45**	
SOCCER B JV3	**BROOKWOOD SCHOOL**	**H..... 2:45**	
INTRAMURAL SOCCER	**CHAMPIONSHIPS**	**H..... 6:00**	
SOCCER G V	**HOLDERNESS**	**H..... 2:30**	
SOCCER G JV1	Exeter	A..... 2:45	
SOCCER G JV2	**BERWICK ACADEMY**	**H..... 2:45**	
VOLLEYBALL G V	**WORCESTER**	**H..... 3:30**	
VOLLEYBALL G JV	Exeter	A..... 3:15	
WATER POLO B V	Tournament Play-In	A..... 3:30	

Saturday November 8, 2008

CROSS COUNTRY BV+JV	Interschols	A..... 1:30	at AVON
CROSS COUNTRY G V	Interschols	A..... 1:30	at AVON
FIELD HOCKEY G V	**EXETER**	**H..... 11:30**	
FOOTBALL B V	**EXETER**	**H..... 2:30**	
SOCCER	**ALUMNI**	**H..... 10:30**	
SOCCER B V	**EXETER**	**H..... 1:00**	
SOCCER G V	**EXETER**	**H..... 11:00**	
VOLLEYBALL G V	**EXETER**	**H..... 12:00**	
WATER POLO B V	Interschols	A..... TBA	

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Phillips Academy strives to encourage good sportsmanship throughout our athletic program, and this includes good fan behavior. We expect all spectators at our contests to be respectful of athletes, coaches, officials and other spectators. Fans are encouraged to applaud the efforts of their team and should not engage in any behavior that is critical, distracting or derogatory toward opponents or officials. We believe it is imperative to let the athletes, coaches and officials play the game. Fans can be an "extra person" for their squad, supporting and cheering on their side, but our school will not permit any behavior that detracts from the proper conduct of the game or disadvantages an athlete or team.

Team Results: Fall 2008

Boys Cross Country	6-1-0	2nd @ Interschols
Girls Cross Country	7-0-0	1st @ Interschols
Field Hockey	12-3-1	Reached NE Quarterfinals
Football	6-2-0	
Boys Soccer	12-2-4	Reached NE Quarterfinals
Girls Soccer	13-5-0	Reached NE Semifinals
Girls Volleyball	15-1-0	Reached NE Finals
Boys Waterpolo	11-6-0	5th @ Interschols

Sport: Boys Cross Country

Year: 2008

Captain: Eli Howe

Coach: Jon Stableford

Assistant Coaches: Jeff Domina, Tim McCall

Season Record

Won 6 Lost 1 Tied 0

Second at Interschols

Letterwinners

Appleby, Matthew
Cope, Alexander
Cox, Forrest
Cummings, Declan
Discenza, Michael
Elder, Benjamin
Fleming, Scott
Ganner, Charles
Grober, Eli
Hamilton, James
Ho, John
Howe, Elias
McLaughlin, Timothy
Ricker, James
Sandhu, Michaeljit
Walkovik, John
Wolber, Patrick

Phillips Academy
Boys' Cross Country
Varsity & JV - 2008

Name	Yr	Hometown
Anziani, Hyden	2012	Lawrence, MA
Appleby, Matthew	2011	Needham, MA
Batchelder, Christopher	2011	Manchester, MA
Chen, Richard	2009	Brookline, MA
Cope, Alexander	2009	Andover, MA
Cox, Forrest	2009	Alexandria, VA
Cummings, Declan	2009	Geneva, IL
Discenza, Michael	2009	Burlington, CT
Ebert, Chase	2009	Las Vegas, NV
Elder, Benjamin	2009	Lexington, KY
Field, David	2011	Andover, MA
Field, Henry	2012	Rockport, ME
Fleming, Scott	2010	Salt Lake City, UT
Ganner, Charles	2010	The Woodlands, TX
Grober, Eli	2009	Andover, MA
Hamilton, James	2012	Andover, MA
Hill, David	2009	Helena, MT
Ho, John	2011	Vancouver CAN
Hofer, Philip	2010	Princeton, NJ
Howe, Elias	2009	Hillsborough, NH
Ingram, John	2011	Andover, MA
Jalan, Rishi	2009	New Delhi, IND
Kang, Madison	2009	West Hartford, CT
Kapoor, Ishan	2009	Andover, MA
Kearns, Nicholas	2011	Greenfield, MA
Kwok, Geoffrey	2010	South Charleston, WV
Latham, Christopher	2009	Groveland, MA
Lowenstein, David	2009	Andover, MA
Matshoba, Mhlabelo	2010	East London,SAF
McLaughlin, Timothy	2011	Andover, MA
Nelson, Peter	2011	Peabody, MA
Nunez, Alexander	2011	Andover, MA
Prawdzik, Benjamin	2010	Andover, MA
Queenan, Max	2011	Weston, MA
Ramos, Ryan	2012	East Elmhurst, NY
Renner, Matthew	2010	Rifle, CO
Ricker, James	2009	Reading, MA
Sakai, Yu	2010	Brookline, MA
Salton, Alex	2011	Ithaca, NY
Sanderson, Scott	2009	West Newton, MA
Sandhu, Michaeljit	2009	Plymouth, MA
Sirakian, Eric	2010	Andover, MA
Strand, Sascha	2010	Derby, KS
Talarico, Benjamin	2011	Suquamish, WA
Torabi, Bijan	2010	North Andover, MA
Walkovik, John	2009	New York, NY
Wolber, Patrick	2011	Nashua, NH
Woolsey, Patrick	2009	Andover, MA
Zhou, Dennis	2012	FPO, AP
Zhu, Henry	2012	Seoul,KOR

Coach: Jon Stableford
Assistant Coach: Jeff Domina & Tim McCall

Schedule and Record

Record: 6/1/0

DATE/TIME	OPPONENT	H/A	TYPE	SCORE
9/20 @ 2:30 PM	Canterbury	A	Game	W
9/27 @ 3:00 PM	Multiple Schools	H	Game	
10/4 @ 5:00 PM	Choate	A	Game	W 26-29
10/8 @ 1:30 PM	NMH	A	Game	W 15-44
10/8 @ 3:30 PM	St. Paul's	A	Game	L 31-26
10/18 @ 3:00 PM	N.M.H.	A	Game	W 16-47
10/25 @ 4:15 PM	Deerfield	H	Game	W 20-38
11/1 @ 3:15 PM	Exeter	A	Game	W 28-29
11/8 @ 1:30 PM	Interschols	A	Game	

Andover Developmental Invitational

Multiple Schools

9/27/2008

This annual event is not scored as a team race. With a tropical storm moving up the coast as the weekend drew near, we were not sure we would be able to hold the meet; but a lull on Saturday morning allowed the brave visiting teams to get on the road; of the seven schools originally entered with boys' and girls' teams, only the Exeter girls stayed at home.

When the races began at three, a warm rain bathed the runners; but it was cross country at its best. First up was the faster boys' race where we entered twelve runners. First for Andover and first in the race was Charles Ganner with a solid 16:34, showing he is making significant progress after a summer bout with mono. When the pack left the Great Lawn, Ganner stood in the lead, a position he held throughout the race although Exeter's Tom Leger chased persistently and finished just ten seconds back. Third in the race was alum Wes Fuhrman, who showed his class in the final steps of the race when he allowed Leger to cross ahead of him. Next came Exeter's second, Miles Richardson in 17:02, followed by open runner Tim McCall, one of the Andover coaches, in 17:07, then captain Eli Howe in 17:08. Exeter took seventh place with Arun Nukol, then single runners from Cushing and NMH, then former Andover captain, now a math Teaching Fellow Taylor Washburn. For the record, that meant there were two Teaching Fellows in the top ten.

For people with an eye to an unofficial score in this un-scored event, the taking of three of the next four spots by Andover pushed us ahead of Exeter by a single point. Tim McLaughlin (17:32), Patrick Wolber (17:38) and James Hamilton (17:44), just a few seconds behind Exeter's fourth runner, rounded out the scoring five, followed later by Matt Appleby, Ben Ho, Alex Cope, and Declan Cummings, distributed in a three-second burst across the line. Scott Fleming and Michaeljit Sandhu rounded out the field, and Phil Hofer, who turned his ankle entering the Sanctuary but continued to run nearly a mile before stopping, set back his return to last year's form for a while. It's important at this point to note we held out from the race Mike Discenza, who would have surely figured into the group top finishers.

In the second boys' race, we entered eighteen; and five finished in the top fifteen. First for Andover and second over-all was Forrest Cox in 18:37, fast enough to beat the times for fourteen runners in the first race. Eli Grober took fifth place in 19:06, then Rishi Jalan, Jim Ricker, and Patrick Woolsey finished in a two-second span to secure the last three spots in the top fifteen. All our runners in this race were racing for the first time this year, and virtually everyone recorded big improvements over their time trials in the previous two weekends. We are beginning to come together as a solid team as we prepare to head to Choate next weekend.

Choate Rosemary Hall

10/4/2008

This day was to be a challenge for us from the beginning. The races could not begin at Choate until 5:00 because of the morning S.A.T tests and the miles between the two schools, and we knew the varsity and J.V. races would be staggered with the J.V. racers starting three minutes after the varsity. We arrived at Choate, made our way to the XC course, and headed out onto the course for our warm-up, returning with just eight minutes before the gun. This meant for everyone a three-mile warm-up followed immediately by a race. Adding to the challenge was the fact that we would be racing without three of our top four runners – a wedding, a precautionary scratch with another race looming on Wednesday, and a last-minute scratch because of illness. Knowing about the first two all week, we had a race plan that we had to amend at the last minute. The boys came through gallantly.

Charles Ganner took a lead at the gun and ran comfortably alone, pushing in some spots, cruising in others and finished first in 16:53 with no one else in sight. Lower Tim McLaughlin, sensing the shift of responsibility onto his shoulders, responded with a powerful race, taking second place in 17:27. Senior David Lowenstein tried to hold onto third place, a position he seized early in the race and held for half, but the illness that had compromised his training for more than a week weakened him in the second half to the point that he yielded six spots in the latter part of the race to finish fourth for Andover. The third Andover racer, ninth-grader James Hamilton, presented a different story. While Choate's first runner battled with McLaughlin, James' race was with Choate's second, roaring past him in the final hundred meters to finish ahead by three seconds in 17:52. The team race was won at this point with Hamilton's finish even though four Choate finishers crossed before Andover's fourth and fifth runners, a strange graphic to someone unfamiliar with XC scoring. After Choate's foursome (and five in total) and Andover trio of Lowenstein, Matt Appleby, and Ben Ho (18:14, 18:18, 18:25) finished the scoring and kept Choate from any displacement points. They could have narrowed it to a one-point victory. Alex Cope, like Lowenstein weakened by sickness during the week, finished thirteenth over-all in 18:43.

All told, this was a brave race, well-run by both teams. Choate should be proud of how close they made the race.

Andover JV 29 Choate 28

The JV race, on the other hand, went to the Choate team although the Andover team, weakened by illnesses and depleted by runners forced to run in the varsity race actually ran quite well. Leading the way in first and second place were Declan Cummings (18:26) and Jack Walcovic (18:29), for both their best times so far this year, for Jack his best time ever. Choate took the next three spots before Michaeljit Sandhu finished in the sixth spot, followed by a Choate runner. Scott Fleming ran a very strong race to take eighth place for Andover, but Choate sealed the win by taking the next three spots, displacing Andover's fifth runner Jim Ricker who led a late pack of Andover runners that included Eli Grober, Eric Sirakian, and Ben Talarico. The people in the JV race were the ones most affected by the quick turn-around between warm-up

and race, but they also knew they were just outraced by a gutsy team in a very close contest, made possible by so many missing teammates. It was a wonderful test, and Andover raced nearly well enough to win.

NMH and St. Paul's

10/8/2008

We ventured to Concord for a telling showdown with our varsity seven more-completely assembled than it has been over the past weeks, hoping to come away with a victory; but we were not quite able to put the whole package together for the win against the hosts. We had seen the NMH team twice already and knew that only one of their runners could be a factor in the race.

The first mile went out quickly as we suspected. SPS runners Lowell Reeve and Nick Gates tried to set the pace, and we responded with Charles Ganner, Mike Discenza, and Patrick Wolber. Close behind hung the rest of the SPS team with our own Tim McLaughlin, Eli Howe, and James Hamilton in close pursuit and Matt Appleby not far behind them. In the rolling hills of the second mile, the front pack began to pull apart with Ganner running on Reeve's shoulder and responding to each surge in kind. Gates fell back a little with Discenza and Wolber behind him. The big change was the emergence of McLaughlin, moving ahead of the third, fourth, and fifth runners of SPS. It looked like we would achieve our plan of four runners in the top six when Wolber, feeling acute pain in his knee, was forced to drop out shortly after completing the second mile. Eli Howe, figuring to be the third runner in our race plan was unable to move up at all after a relatively slow first mile. Instead, it was ninth grader James Hamilton chasing the sixth and seventh SPS runners with Howe behind him.

As the runners emerged from the woods, two great foot-races developed. The first involved Reeve and Ganner; on the final turn, Ganner shot by on the outside and opened up a two-second lead that held until the finish line (16:34/16:36). SPS runner Gates ran alone (16:50), as did Mike Discenza (17:19), but Tim McLaughlin gradually moved up to finish just five seconds after in 17:24. Twelve seconds later SPS brought in a pack of three in a span of four seconds to finish their scoring while we still needed two more to cross. James Hamilton minimized the damage with the second foot-race, having already passed one SPS runner in the field. Now on the field, he gained and gained on another, making up about forty meters before passing him on the track and finishing in 17:43. Howe finished in twelfth place with an uncharacteristic 18:00 and Matt Appleby in fourteenth with a solid 18:18. With Wolber or Howe finishing where we expected, it would have been Andover, not SPS, with twenty-six points. It's clear what we need to do in the next month before Interschols.

JV: Andover 16 SPS 47 Andover 15 NMH 50

Andover ran away with this race, taking the first four places and nine of the top ten. It's important to recognize that SPS ran three more than we did in the varsity race, but with these extra runners figured into the JV race, Andover would have still won handily. Leading the way throughout the race were Alex Cope

(18:22), Declan Cummings (18:28), Ben Ho (18:36), and Jack Walcovic (18:41). There was a terrific race at the finish for the fifth spot, where SPS runner Chris Albanese edged our own Scott Fleming (18:52) by a second. Andover followed with Forrest Cox, Michaeljit Sandhu, Jim Ricker, and Bello Matshoba, these four separated by just six seconds. This was a very good race for every one of the twenty-eight Andover runners who lined up for the JV race. The JV team also knows what they need to do to be ready for Interschols.

NMH

10/18/2008

In what seems to be a Saturday ritual this year, team members rose early to take standardized tests (This week the PSAT), scrambled onto the bus cramming bagels into their mouths, then sat still for a trip lasting two hours, hurried to the course for a whirlwind, 5K pre-race run, and lined up after a quick stretch to race. These are time to test a team's strength and adaptability, and while we might prefer to stay at home and race on a familiar course, a season like this can be better for developing a team.

At NMH we knew our competition would be the course itself and the gap between our scoring five, and as soon as the varsity group (We raced a dozen in this race) responded to the gun, they established themselves at the front of the race. One partial goal for the team was to press ninth-grader James Hamilton earlier in his race to avoid the final kick heroics that characterized his previous two races. He, thus, went out with the lead pack and held his own throughout.

On the NMH course, the first mile is fast and relatively flat, and the team went through this in good time. The hills begin in the second half, and the footing presents challenges with roots and large rocks. In this mile the group slowed down considerably, but our boys nine of the top ten spots from the start. The final mile is largely downhill with a long pull through a meadow, then a section retracing the start. Because we held our spots securely from the start, there was little to push individuals toward good times. Everyone was disappointed with his time although a few ran especially well on a slow course.

Charlie Ganner continued his winning ways, finishing in 17:18, less time than it took him to find a singlet to race in. Mike Discenza held a solid second place in 17:35, closing the gap between him and Ganner in the downhill section and pulling along with him Tim McLaughlin and James Hamilton (both 17:45). NMH runner Kevin Bravo ran his best time of the year on the course to beat Eli Howe, who finished in 18:07 to complete the Andover scoring, and leading a blue wave that would follow: Declan Cummings (18:30), Michaeljit Sandhu (18:37), Ben Ho (18:41), Forrest Cox (18:54) Jack Walkovik (19:05), and Jim Ricker (19:26). Only two more NMH runners managed to penetrate the Andover team, one just before Walkovik and one just after. Phil Hofer began the race for Andover, but was forced to drop out.

This was a solid showing and a very impressive cap to a high-mileage, high-intensity training week. Next up is Deerfield with a runner (Sam Belcher) who will challenge the front of the Andover team.

ANDOVER JV 15 NMH JV 50

This was a perfect score to finish the day impressively for a deep and fit team. Right from the start Andover took the lead, but some of the nine runners who crossed the finish line before the first NMH contestant ran a cautious first mile, then moved up in the hilly section. From the start, Scott Fleming took the lead with his near-perfect stride and ran alone, completing the course on 18:46, fast enough to place him ahead of all but one NMH runner in the varsity race. Eli Grober and Eric Sirakian quickly set up behind Fleming. Although they allowed Fleming gradually to move out of sight, they dropped the rest of the field with their strong races (19:31 and 19:49) and ensured the win for Andover. Ben Talarico gradually moved up after the first mile and established himself well to finish fourth in 20:08, followed by Yu Sakai (20:11), Peter Nelson (20:16), Ben Elder (20:31), Lee Kang, and Chris Latham together (20:41). Just one NMH runner beat any of the Andover runners, finishing tenth overall, followed by Andover's Scott Sanderson (21:23) and Geoff Kwok (21:29). These were great races run by strong competitors, lucky to be able to experience a beautiful fall afternoon on hillsides slashed by the Connecticut River and painted brilliantly by the fading fall light.

Deerfield
10/25/2008

The weather reports promised showers and mild temperatures, but proved to be wrong on two accounts. The showers held off until we were scoring the final race, and the temperatures held in the mid-fifties – almost perfect conditions. The rainy summer and mild fall have made the grass on the great lawn lush, making starts and finishes harder on times than most years. Nonetheless, twenty-four racers ran PRs for the season and six more ran their first races of the season.

In the varsity race we had a few goals: to try to get as many as five racers to finish under 17:00, to beat Deerfield's top runner, to group our 2-4 runners as closely as possible, and to have Patrick Wolber, who had not finished a race since late September to run safely and reasonably well. We managed to reach three of these goals. Although we had only three finishers in under 17:00, the three who did ran spectacularly. Charles Ganner cruised in to win in 16:24 and Mike Discenza took second in 16:31, ten seconds ahead of Deerfield's star. Tim McLaughlin finished in 16:53 to take fourth place, followed by Captain Eli Howe in 17:22. Two more Deerfield runners edged ninth grade phenom James Hamilton (17:38), who felt especially tired after our punishing week of training. Hamilton and Howe are just one week away from running well enough to meet that lofty standard of getting five runners to finish our course in less than 17:00.

In a breakthrough race, Michaeljit Sandhu took ninth place in 17:42, displacing two Deerfield runners, and Patrick Wolber stuck to the plan to run carefully and finished tenth to displace the final Deerfield runner. Declan Cummings unselfishly set the pace for Wolber through Heartbreak Hill and finished just under 18:00, followed by Jack Walkovic (18:16), Forrest Cox (18:27), Jim Ricker (18:28), Eli Grober (18:39), and Ben Elder (19:20). We ran all our seniors but one in the varsity race.

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In the JV race we took the top three spots ensuring the win right off, and if we had run just seven in the varsity race, the JV team would have won with a perfect score. Tenth grader Matt Appleby ripped off a personal best to take the JV race in 17:46, good enough to have beaten all but three Deerfield runners in the varsity race; he was followed by Scott Fleming in 18:05 and Ben Ho in 18:26. These three solid races set the standard for the rest of the team. Four Deerfield racers crossed before the next Andover racer Lee Kang (19:15), but he led a pack that included Ben Talarico (19:20), Yu Sakai (19:23), and Pete Nelson (19:34).

The race, then, continued to mix Andover and Deerfield runners in equal measure, but we should make special mention of four runners, Ryan Ramos, Hayden Anziani, Henry Zhu, and Dennis Zhou who competed in their first race for Andover.

Exeter

11/1/2008

Each year the Andover/Exeter race is exciting and tightly contested, but this was the closest contest in two decades. We entered the race certain it would be our hardest race after St. Paul's, but we were pretty certain that the front part of our racing team could nail down the win early and the second half could seal the deal. As it turned out, Exeter took the front end of the race, and it was the heroics of our pack that made a victory possible.

On the flat, fast Exeter course, Charles Ganner and Mike Discenza took off, drawing with them Exeter's Leger; and they completed the first mile in five-flat. In the second mile, Ganner began to know this would not be his day; tightness and fatigue set in, and he lost some of his concentration. As they neared the second mile mark, Leger had only a slight lead but looked stronger than both Discenza and Ganner. Behind this threesome, a second pack included two Exeter runners, plus Tim McLaughlin, Eli Howe, and Patrick Wolber, followed a bit back by James Hamilton and Declan Cummings and the rest of Exeter's team. At this point Michaeljit Sandhu had fallen far off the pace and was just hanging on.

In the wooded section of the final mile, the second and third Exeter kids made their move and slipped ahead of Ganner, who faded back into the Andover pack including McLaughlin and Howe. Meanwhile, a third pack led by two Exeter runners, but chased by Hamilton and Cummings, emerged from the woods with a critical race ahead of them.

In the final stretch of the race, the home team opened its lead. Discenza could not stick with Exeter's Leger, who finished in a PR time of 16:06. Discenza crossed in 16:14, three seconds ahead of Exeter's second runner Richardson. Nine seconds later the third Exie Nukal crossed in 16:26, chased by Andover's McLaughlin in 16:29, Ganner in 16:31, Howe in 16:56, Hamilton in 17:01, and Cummings in 17:02. – five runners in thirty-three seconds, a tight pack by any standard. The key points were scored by Hamilton and Cummings who passed two Exeter runners at the observatory, then held on to win the race.

The course was soggy and surprisingly hard for such a flat surface, unlike anything we have seen so far. It was not our best race of the year, but it was a gutsy one against one of the best Division One teams.

Andover JV 20 Exeter JV 38

This lopsided score needs perspective: Exeter raced nine in the varsity race to Andover's eight. Imagining what will be the likely fields at Interschols in a week, if the Exeter two and the Andover one drop from the varsity ranks to the JV, Andover would have still won this race, but by a tighter, five-point margin.

There was duel waged for the entire race between Matt Appleby and Exeter's Case. Each time Appleby moved up on Case, Case responded; and back and forth they went the entire race until they hit the soggy field leading to the finish where the lankier Exeter runner pulled away to win in 17:14, two seconds ahead of Appleby. This was the best racing pair the whole afternoon. Looking at matters in another way, Appleby led a long white streak from the woods to the finish as Andover took control of the race and ran beautifully. Throughout this section Ben Ho made up ground and nearly was able to put on a move to catch and pass both Appleby and Case. Ho finished in a strong 17:20. Half a minute later Jack Walkovik led a pack of three, finishing in 17:51 followed by Forrest Cox (17:54), and Scott Fleming (17:57). Andover sealed the victory with its twenty points at this moment, but Jim Ricker added three points to Exeter's score by finishing as Andover's sixth runner ahead of three of Exeter's scoring five. These may seem like superfluous points in a dual meet already won, but in a multi-team race like Interschols, these points can make a huge difference.

This was a terrific day of racing by Andover, particularly in the second race where Andover put twenty-seven runners on the line; all finished well in what will be for most of them the final interscholastic contest of the year.

Andover Returns 12 of 14 Varsity Runners from 2007 Team

By Ben Ho
PHILLIPIAN **SPORTS WRITER**

After a summer of many miles and endless hills where many runners tracked up to 50 miles per week, the Andover Boys Cross Country team hopes to improve on last year's excellent season. Captain Eli Howe '09 hopes to follow in the footsteps of last year's Captain Hanson Causbie '08 by setting an example in both practices and meets.

Howe has had an impressive running career at Andover, excelling in all three seasons of running. However, Howe is not alone and will be backed by what he calls the deepest team in his years at Andover. The team only lost two of its top 14 runners from last year's team which took third at Interschols.

Charlie Ganner '10 looks to continue the progress he made in his incredible breakout season last year, where he finished third at Interschols and first for Andover. Also returning to the top of the team is Mike Discenza '09, whose past seasons have been marred by injury. Discenza looks to put the past behind him and is hopes to be a key runner in the top seven this year. Other top returnees Declan Cummings '09, Michaeljit Sandhu '09 and Tim McLaughlin '11 will play key roles in the Andover team's success.

Howe commented about his expectations for this year's top 14. "I think that there is a lot of potential for this year's team to win Interschols, but we have to take things step by step. If we all peak at the right time and stick together as a team, I believe we have a great chance when Interschols roll around in November," said Howe.

Jack Walkovik '09 agreed with Howe, adding "This is the best team I think we have had in a long time. Some of the new kids are great runners and I think our depth could be unmatched this year."

Coach Jon Stableford '63 echoed the thoughts of Walkovik and Howe. "I think that our program this year is definitely very strong and that we will race well, be it the top seven or the runners in the training group. Looking at the team this year, I think that we will not only be very competitive this year, but that we will continue to a force in the coming years as we have many developing runners. I think that the big challenge that we will face will be avoiding injuries that have shaken our top runners over the last few weeks. If we can avoid injuries to our top runners, I think that we will have a great chance at defeating St. Paul's who has long been our main obstacle."

If Andover is able to keep improving as the season wears on while avoiding injuries that have plagued some top runners in past years, the team should have a solid chance at making a run at the Interschols team championship.

After time trials this week, Andover seeks to defend its title at the Canterbury Invitational on September 22nd.

M. DISCENZA, *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Captain Eli Howe '09 kicks his way to a finish in a 2007 race.

M. DISCENZA/ THE PHILLIPIAN

Andover runners in both varsity races control the pack early in the race across the Knoll.

McLaughlin, Wolber and Hamilton Secure One-Point Win Over Exeter

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Despite pouring rain, deep puddles and swampy grass, Charles Ganner '10 sprinted through the finish line for a first place finish at the annual Andover Invitational last Saturday with a phenomenal time of 16:34.

In the first race of the season, twenty five Andover runners participated, competing against talented teams from Loomis Chaffee, Exeter, Cushing, Worcester Academy, Dexter and Northfield Mount Hermon. Although this race is designed as a fun developmental race to give runners valuable experience, the competition between teams was especially intense this year as many runners posted personal records.

Many top Andover runners were plagued by injury and sickness. However, the team managed to record a score one point better than rival Exeter, even with the absence of top runner Mike Discenza '09.

The race began with a fast pace off the line; Ganner positioned himself at the front of the pack, closely followed by Tim McLaughlin '11, Patrick Wolber '11 and Captain Eli Howe '09. After a relatively flat

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first mile, the pack, led by Ganner, entered the sanctuary and began the slow climb up to the Log Cabin after a quick burst down Heartbreak Hill. Ganner looked very strong throughout the race, and by the time he had reached the last 800 meters, he had established a comfortable lead over Exeter's Thomas Leger, who was ten seconds behind.

Exeter put on an impressive performance and placed a second runner in front of Howe, who finished with a time of 17:08. Single runners from Cushing and NMH followed Howe and Washburn to close out the top ten.

McLaughlin finished close behind Washburn with an impressive time of 17:32, for an 11th-place finish. Wolber ran to a 12th-place finish, clearly struggling from his injured left knee. Running fifth for Andover, James Hamilton '12 rounded out the scoring five in 17:44.

Although the race was not officially scored, Andover beat out Exeter by a single point as McLaughlin, Wolber and Hamilton finished in front of Exeter's fifth runner, securing the win. However, the competition from Exeter will be no less fierce when the team faces off again on the first of November.

Howe said, "Now that we know who our main opponents are, I think that the main thing we have to do is to be very cautious about injuries to our top runners. If we don't get discouraged by little setbacks and keep training hard, I believe we can beat Exeter again come November."

Coach Jon Stableford's thoughts complimented Howe. "By the end of the season I would like to get five or six of our runners under 17 minutes for our course. We can do this gradually to avoid injuries, but if we can get there by season's end, then we will be the team I think we can be," he said.

In the JV boy's race, Andover once again made its mark, placing five runners in the top 15.

First for Andover and second overall was Forrest Cox '09 with a personal record of 18:37, a minute better than his showing in last week's time trial.

Andover had a strong pack trailing Cox, with Eli Grober '09 in fifth place, and Rishi Jalal '09, Jim Ricker '09 and Patrick Woolsey '09 not far behind.

M. RENNER/ THE PHILLIPIAN

Eli Howe '09 charges through the rain late in his race.

Andover Edges Out Choate, 26-29; Team Suffers First Loss to St. Paul's

Ben Ho
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

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Choate	29
St. Paul's	26
Andover	31

Andover Boy's Cross Country pulled off a thrilling victory against Choate last weekend, despite the absences of three of the team's top four runners.

Charlie Ganner '10 led the team to victory as he cruised in with a time of 16:53, thirty seconds ahead of the next runner, Tim McLaughlin '11. On Wednesday, unable to keep up the winning momentum, it fell to St. Paul's, 31-26.

The varsity race headed off first, followed three minutes after by the JV race. The unique late start forced the varsity runners to make a split second turn around after the warm-up, as Andover barely made it to the starting line in time for the gun. However, it stood up to the challenge posed by the tough conditions, and gave Choate an excellent race.

Right off the line, Ganner lead the race and gained a huge lead over the Choate number one and McLaughlin over the flat first mile.

Other varsity runners James Hamilton '12, David Lowenstein '09, and Matt Appleby '11 battled not far behind with Choate's third and fourth runners. Andover went neck to neck with Choate throughout the rest of the race, however, it delivered the final blow in the last two hundred meters.

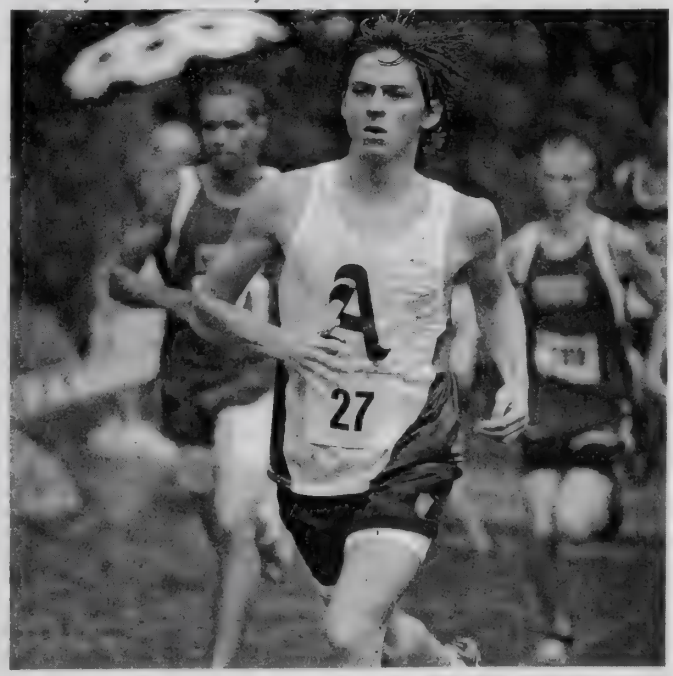
McLaughlin was able to edge out Choate's first runner, finishing second in 17:27, while Hamilton kicked furiously by Choate's second, squeezing through to finish two seconds ahead with a time of 17:52. Although Hamilton's position secured a one point win for the team, Lowenstein, Appleby, and Ben Ho '11 increased the gap, finishing ninth, tenth, and eleventh with times of 18:14, 18:18, and 18:25.

The JV race was fiercely different. As the team was depleted by sickness and the loss of top runners to the varsity race, the team could not keep up with a strong Choate squad, losing by a single point. However, many Andover racers recorded season best times. Declan Cummings '09 won the race with a time of 18:26, followed closely by Jack Walcovic '09, who finished with a personal best of 18:29.

After the match up with Choate, the team traveled to St. Paul's last Wednesday to compete against a very talented and deep St. Paul's squad.

Although the team seemed healthy and the varsity seven looked strong, a deep St. Paul's top seven, coupled with the loss of Patrick Wolber '11 to a knee injury in the middle of the race, allowed St. Paul's to edge out Andover for the second year in a row.

Once again, Ganner lead the first group along with Lowell Reeve from St. Paul's and Mike Discenza '09. Although Reeve tried to cut Ganner off many times during the race, Ganner passed Reeve in the last fifty meters to out kick him with a time of 16:34. Two Saint Paul's runners finished close behind Ganner, followed closely by Discenza in 17:19 and McLaughlin in 17:24. Wolber looked to close out the win for Andover by finishing with this top group; however, a chronic knee injury prevented him from doing so, as he stopped after two painful miles. Andover was unable to make up for this deficit, and St. Paul's took the next three spots, closing out a 26-31 win.



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Tim McLaughlin '10 breaks away from a pack of runners.

Andover Overpowers NMH, 16-47; Ganner '10 Wins Race in 17:18

By Ben Ho
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	**16**
NMH	**47**

Andover Boys Cross Country swept through NMH last weekend and dominated, taking nine out of the top ten spots and winning with a score of 16-47. Andover had raced NMH three times before and won handily each time, so the real competition was the tricky winding course.

Knowing that the NMH JV squad had no chance against an extremely deep and talented Andover team, Coach Jon Stableford decided to run 12 instead of the regular seven runners in the varsity race to give top JV runners valuable experience as and competition. This proved to be excellent strategy, as the JV squad completed a perfect sweep through NMH, with a score of 15-50.

Off the line, Andover immediately took the lead. Charles Ganner '10 and Mike Discenza '09 established a sizeable lead over the rest of the pack, finishing the first mile in under 5:10. Not far behind, Tim McLaughlin '11 and James Hamilton '12 battled with NMH's number one runner, eventually beating him out in the last mile to give Andover the sweep. The hills began in the second mile, and the runners slowed down considerably to avoid the large rocks and roots scattered about the narrow trails.

After the second mile, Andover clearly held a huge lead, which it retained for the remainder of the race.

Ganner crossed the line first in 17:18, followed by Discenza in 17:35. Hamilton and McLaughlin came in together, both with times of 17:45, followed by NMH's first runner. Captain Eli Howe '09 rounded out the scoring five with a time of 18:07, leading a string of six more Andover runners.

Out of the 12 runners in the varsity race, only three NMH runners were able to outrun the Andover squad.

In the JV race, Andover completely dominated, with only one NMH runner finishing in the top ten. Scott Fleming '10 led the whole race and finished in 18:46, faster than all but one NMH runner in the varsity race.

Eli Grober '09 and Eric Sirakian '10 followed Fleming across the line with strong races with times of 19:31 and 19:49, respectively.

With only two weeks left in the season, Andover now looks to focus fully on preparation for Interschols.

Coach Stableford highlighted the major obstacles the team will face in its quest for victory: "Our biggest challenge in the coming weeks is getting people healthy. We need to avoid injury and get our injured runners back into competition. If we can go to Interschols with our whole team healthy, we should be very close to the top."

Stableford continued, "If we are to win Interschols, a few things have to come together: at the varsity level, we need to bring our top six runners closer together in time as well as make them faster. We need to have [our] runners beat their counterparts from both St. Paul's and Exeter. We also need to use the top runners from teams outside the top three who do not figure to win to add points to our opponents (Exeter and St. Paul's) and not to our own score. If we can accomplish these goals, then we should be well prepared for the races."

One missing link in the team is the absence of top seven runner, Patrick Wolber '11, who is still recovering from a chronic knee injury that has plagued him since the Andover Invitational earlier in the season. If he can return in good shape to the team, then Andover should be a fierce competitor at Interschols.

Andover will face off against a strong Deerfield squad this Saturday at 3:45pm.

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Andover Wins at Home

Ganner '10, Discenza '09 Finish 1-2

By Ben Ho
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

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Pulling away from Deerfield's top runner inside the gates of the Sanctuary, Charlie Ganner '10 and Mike Discenza '09 combined for an electrifying 1-2 finish in Saturday's race. With three runners posting times under seventeen minutes, Andover cruised to a 20-38 victory over Deerfield.

Prior to the race, Coach Stableford established a goal of placing five runners under seventeen minutes. Although the team did not quite accomplish that feat, 24 Andover racers ran personal bests on the day. Ganner, Discenza, and Tim McLaughlin '11 all broke the seventeen-minute mark, while Captain Eli Howe '09 and James Hamilton '12 rounded out Andover's top five.

Andover's primary goal was to close the gap between its top five runners to earn the best possible score. Andover also hoped to ease key runner Patrick Wolber '11 back into competition after his long recovery from a chronic knee injury. Andover came very close to accomplishing all of these goals on Saturday.

Andover's leaders took charge of the race right off of the line, with Ganner taking position in front of the pack. As the racers entered the sanctuary gates and started the slow climb to the log cabin, Discenza and Deerfield's first runner stood ten yards behind. After progressing down the wind-

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Sandhu '09 Breaks Through with Top Ten Finish Against Deerfield

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ing trail and up treacherous Heartbreak Hill, it became clear that Andover had complete control. Both Discenza and Ganner built comfortable leads over Deerfield's number one, while McLaughlin held his place twenty seconds behind. Ganner cruised across the line in 16:24, followed by Discenza seven seconds after. After Deerfield's first runner finished, McLaughlin closed out his race with a time of 16:53, while Howe followed in 17:22. After two more Deerfield runners kicked through the line behind Howe, Hamilton crossed the line in 17:38.

Although the top five secured the win, Andover's other runners ran phenomenally. In a breakout race, Michaeljit Sandhu '09 surged through the line in 17:42 preventing Deerfield from adding any displacement points; as he closed out an impressive 20-38 win over a talented Deerfield squad. Wolber ran according to plan, finishing tenth and beating Deerfield's seventh runner despite his inability to train since September.

In the JV race, many runners ran personal bests, while several competitors raced for the first time this season. Matt Appleby '11 burnt through the course, winning the race and setting a personal record of 17:46. Scott Fleming '09 and Ben Ho '11 also ran solid races, securing the win for the JV squad as they crossed the line with times of 18:05 and 18:26.

With Wolber back on track and the rest of the top seven dominating, Andover looks to work towards its main goal of placing five runners under seventeen minutes. At practice on Tuesday, Stableford clearly stated that the most important thing for the runners to do at this point in the season is to eat well, and more importantly, sleep well. If the team can stay healthy and continue to improve as a whole, it should be poised to be a fierce contender at Interschols next week.

This Saturday, Andover will travel to New Hampshire to take on Exeter.

M. RENNER/ *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Michaeljit Sandhu '09 and James Hamilton '12 charge across the Knoll late in Saturday's race against Deerfield.

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Final Straightaway Kicks Help Andover Steal One-Point Victory

By Ben Ho
PHILLIPIAN **SPORTS WRITER**

Andover	28
Exeter	29

Andover pulled off a win for the ages last weekend, edging out archrival Exeter by a single point. Exeter pulled ahead in the last mile, and it seemed that the race was lost. However, James Hamilton '12 and Declan Cummings '09 kicked furiously in the last half mile, each passing two Exeter runners and holding on to secure a 28-29 win.

The Exeter course appeared unlike anything Andover had encountered; instead of being mountainous like Choate or the Andover home course, the Exeter layout was located on a floodplain, with the largest hill being "a small bump," as Coach Jon Stableford described it.

Charlie Ganner '10 and Mike Discenza '09 accelerated hard off the line, with Exeter's top runner Thomas Leger right behind. Midway through the second mile, Andover looked strong, as both Ganner and Discenza were trailing just behind Exeter's Leger.

However, it was not Ganner's day, as fatigue settled in and he fell back. The weight of the race was then placed on the shoulders of Discenza, who fought valiantly but could not keep up with Leger, who finished with a personal record of 16:06. Discenza crossed the line in 16:14, just three seconds ahead of another Exeter runner. At this point, the situation was bleak for Andover, as Exeter crossed its fourth runner before Andover's third racer. However, Andover's determination and perseverance led the team to a win. Andover then finished five runners in a row; Tim McLaughlin '11 in 16:29, Ganner in 16:31, and Captain Eli Howe '09, who finished in 16:56, led the first pack through the line. Hamilton and Cummings came charging through the line just seconds after.

With all the excitement in the Varsity race, the JV squad refocused and turned out a phenomenal performance of its own. Matt Appleby '11 and Exeter's first runner battled for the whole five kilometers until the last 600 meters, when the Exeter runner took off and stole the win with a time of 17:14, while Appleby finished two seconds behind with a personal record of 17:16. Ben Ho '11 finished only ten meters off the pace and logged a personal best time of 17:20.

This weekend, Andover will travel to Avon to compete against the best from New England at the Interscholastic Championships.

Cross Country Edges Out Exeter for Second Place in NEPSTA Finals

By Ben Ho
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Boys Cross Country completed an exceptional season last Saturday, finishing second at the New England Prep School Track Association Division Cross Country Championships. Andover went into the race seeking victory coming off an electrifying win at Exeter, but the chronic injuries plaguing team members since early in the season proved too much to overcome as Andover fell valiantly to a phenomenal St. Paul's.

Going into the championship, the only blemish on Andover's record was an early season loss to the top team in the league, St. Paul's. Andover's strategy was simple: start out fast and try and hold on. In order to take the title away from St. Paul's, Andover had to run a perfect race.

Andover accelerated hard off the line, with Mike Discenza '09 leading the charge. Discenza stuck with top runners from Avon and St. Paul's, while Tim McLaughlin '11, Captain Eli Howe '09 and Charlie Ganner '10 were only seconds behind. Freshman James Hamilton led Andover's last pack of Declan Cummings '09 and Patrick Wolber '11.

But after progressing through the second mile, the situation took a turn for the worse. Andover started to show fatigue, as every runner started to fall back in the pack, enabling the leaders from Avon and St. Paul's to pull ahead.

While Andover struggled, St. Paul's dominated. Their older and stronger team pulled away in the last mile, and Andover was unable to make up ground. The runners from St. Paul's executed a nearly perfect race, with their top three runners all placing in the top ten. All three boys from St. Paul's crossed the line ahead of Andover's first runner, Discenza, who finished eighth with a time of 16:46. McLaughlin placed tenth overall with a time of 16:54, followed by Ganner who finished twelfth with 17:02.

After Howe finished his race with a time of 17:13, it was up to James Hamilton to clinch second place as Exeter was charging hard in the last mile. All season, Hamilton had come up with incredible finishes, and this one was no different. He nosed by Exeter's fifth runner, and finished in 17:34, inches ahead of the rival.

St. Paul's finished with 40 points, far ahead of Andover's 73 and Exeter's 85.

On the rain drenched Avon Old Farm's course, Andover managed to finish its top five runners in a one minute span, a goal set by Coach Stableford at the beginning of the season. The depth of the team shone through, as the Andover JV squad dominated its race and won, placing five runners in the top ten. Matt Appleby '11 led the JV squad throughout the whole race, and finished third with a time of 17:52. Jack Walkovic '09, Ben Ho '11, Michaeljit Sandhu '09 and Forrest Cox '09 rounded out the top five, finishing fifth, seventh, ninth and tenth to secure the win and complete a highly successful season.

Patrick Wolber '11 commented on the team's performance: "As a team, I definitely think that we could have been a bit closer to St. Paul's. Most of our top seven did not have the races they needed to have, but St. Paul's ran an incredible race."

Upper Scott Fleming's comments echoed Wolber's thoughts: "As a team I think that we didn't perform to the best of our capabilities. I think that a lot of individuals had unlucky races and that all added up to a second place finish. However, I think that second is very respectable, as St. Paul's had an incredible race. But I definitely think that it could have been much closer."

Coach Stableford said, "St. Paul's ran their best race of the season. We did very well to finish second as we had injuries to three of our top runners. All season long we trained hard and developed a deep and committed team. Every athlete achieved something significant and we can look forward to a successful season next year."

Sport: Girls Cross Country

Year: 2008

Captain: Berol Dewdney

Coach: Nancy Lang

Assistant Coaches: Suzanne Torabi, Christine Marshall

Season Record

Won 7 Lost 0 Tied 0

First at Interschols

Letterwinners

Abell, Octavia
Adams, Shannon
Dewdney, Berol
Ellinger, Katherine
Gezon, Caroline
Jordan, Brianna
Kingston, Caitlin
Levene, Abigail
Levene, Margaret
MacRae, Rebecca
McDonough, Anne
Moroney, Stephanie
Norton, Georgina
Panaccio Tresham, Olivia
Pecora, Camilla
Sichko, Stassja
Siemer, Jessica
Zimmerling, Aubrey

Phillips Academy
Girls' Cross Country
Varsity & JV - 2008

Name	Yr	Hometown
Abell, Octavia	2010	Providence, RI
Adams, Shannon	2012	Reisterstown, MD
Adler, Emily	2012	Brookline, MA
Aylward, Caitlin	2010	Palm Beach, FL
Azaret, Lydia	2012	North Andover, MA
Carrolo, Elizabeth	2011	Andover, MA
Chitturi, Sindhura	2009	Granville, OH
Dewdney, Berol	2009	Putney, VT
Ellinger, Katherine	2012	Wellesley, MA
Faulkner, Kristen	2011	Homer, AK
Flanders, Allison	2009	Irvine, CA
Gezon, Caroline	2010	Wilmette, IL
Hall, Hannah	2010	Scottsdale, AZ
Jordan, Brianna	2009	Plymouth, MA
Kang, Marina	2009	North Andover, MA
King, Courtney	2010	Santa Monica, CA
Kingston, Caitlin	2011	Winchester, MA
Levene, Abigail	2009	Dublin, NH
Levene, Margaret	2012	Dublin, NH
Lewis, Corinna	2009	New York, NY
MacRae, Rebecca	2009	Sherborn, MA
McDonough, Anne	2009	New Canaan, CT
Moroney, Stephanie	2009	Manchester, MA
Motlow, Elena	2009	San Francisco, CA
Norton, Georgina	2009	North Reading, MA
Panaccio Tresham, Olivia	2009	Chicago, IL
Pecora, Camilla	2010	San Jose, CA
Peterson, Enek	2012	Sunderland, MA
Powell, Alessandra	2011	New York, NY
Santos, Marhelich	2012	Bronx, NY
Shapiro, Elyse	2010	Plano, TX
Shoemaker, Margot	2012	Greensboro, NC
Sichko, Stassja	2010	Boston, MA
Siemer, Jessica	2010	Sparta, NJ
Simister, Eve	2012	Wellesley, MA
Tanski, Emilie	2011	Lexington, MA
Wehner, Vivian	2009	Monmouth, OR
Wei, Emily	2009	Sudbury, MA
Wu, Laura	2010	Glen Cove, NY
Zimmerling, Aubrey	2009	Lakewood, CO

Coach: Nancy Lang
Assistant Coach: Susanne Torabi & Christine Marshall

Schedule and Record

Record: 3/0/0

DATE/TIME	OPPONENT	H/A	TYPE	SCORE
9/20 @ 11:00 AM	Multiple Opponents		Game	
9/27 @ 3:00 PM	Multiple Opponents	H	Game	
10/4 @ 5:30 PM	Choate		Game	
10/8 @ 4:30 PM	St. Paul's/N.M.H.		Game	
10/18 @ 3:25 PM	N.M.H.		Game	W 15-48
10/25 @ 3:45 PM	Deerfield	H	Game	W 15-50
11/1 @ 3:30 PM	Exeter		Game	W 21-39
11/8 @ 1:30 PM	Multiple Opponents		Game	

Andover Developmental Invitational

Multiple Schools

9/27/2008

Andover hosted teams from Loomis Chaffee, NMH, Cushing, and Worcester Academy in our Developmental Invitational today. Exeter was expected to participate, but unfortunately was unable to attend. We invited alumni and coaches to join in the races, and this year we were happy to welcome back former captain of the girls' team, Kathryn Moore '03, who ran a personal best on our course!

It was a terrific day for the Andover girls. We raced 32 girls, all of whom finished the race! The focus of the day is on developing runners of all levels, so we did not calculate team scores. Once again, Andover was well-represented during the individual awards ceremony. Abby Levene '09 won the varsity race in a time of 19:10 and Katie Ellinger '12 won the JV race in a time of 21:57. Many of the Andover girls ran together encouraging and supporting each other throughout the race. Despite the very rainy, muddy, and even dark conditions, we had a lot of fun and ended the day feeling that it was a big success. Full results are available at www.coolrunning.com.

Choate

10/4/2008

At 5:40pm, after a long day for many of the girls, 14 Andover runners and 19 Choate runners took off from the starting line of Choate's wonderful and challenging 5K course. This was the course where we competed in the 2007 Interscholastic Championships, so it was very exciting for a core group to return and race the course again so early in our season. Once again, all 14 runners finished the race healthy. Results for the Andover girls are listed below.

Varsity:
1 – Berol Dewdney '09 (C), 20:01
3 – Georgina Norton '09, 20:28
4 – Caitlin Kingston '11, 20:55
5 – Aubrey Zimmerling '09, 21:02
6 – Tavie Abell '10, 21:51
7 – Annie McDonough '09, 21:59
8 – Becca MacRae '09, 22:12

JV:
1 – Molly Levene '12, 22:16
2 – Mia Pecora '10, 22:43

3 – Caroline Gezon '10, 22:45
4 – Jessica Siemer '10, 22:58
5 – Shannon Adams '12, 23:38
6 – Alessandra Powell '11, 24:07
9 – Vivian Wehner '09, 25:55

St. Paul's and NMH

10/8/2008

With a sunny day on a course many girls call a "favorite," we enjoyed the rare chance to race mid-week. Everyone on the team was invited to race, and we fielded a team of 28 runners! The team ran strong. Now that we are a few races into the season (and knowing that we have 10 days before our next race), the girls pushed themselves a bit harder than in past races, challenging themselves to put forth more effort and push their limits a bit. The results were good, with some strong finishes! All of the spectators were treated to notable finish-line performances by both Aubrey Zimmerling '09 and Caitlin Kingston '11. Abby Levene '09 set a new course record of 18:47 (previously 19:00 held by Melissa Donais PA'02). 12 girls ran personal bests, with newcomers Maggie Shoemaker '12 and Ely Shapiro '10 making the greatest improvements (Maggie took 1:23 off her previous time and Ely took 2:18 off her previous time). Congratulations to all! Results for all Andover girls are listed below (although we show a varsity and JV score, all of the girls ran in one race, so the places below reflect the place in the overall race).

1 – Abby Levene '09, 18:47
2 – Berol Dewdney '09, 19:39
3 – Stephanie Moroney '09, 19:45
4 – Georgina Norton '09, 20:01
5 – Aubrey Zimmerling '09, 20:23
7 – Caitlin Kingston '11, 20:31
9 – Tavie Abell '10, 21:01
11 – Becca MacRae '09, 21:28
12 – Breezy Jordan '09, 21:30
13 – Molly Levene '12, 21:31
15 – Annie McDonough '09, 21:54
16 – Caroline Gezon '10, 22:08
19 – Shannon Adams '12, 22:37
20 – Mia Pecora '10, 22:37
21 – Stassja Sichko '10, 22:38
22 – Mimi Tanski '11, 22:44
23 – Olivia Panaccio Tresham '09, 22:52
28 – Maggie Shoemaker '12, 23:59
29 – Alessandra Powell '11, 24:12

31 – Hannah Hall '10, 24:55
32 – Lydia Azaret '12, 24:55
35 – Eve Simister '12, 25:21
36 – Emily Wei '09, 25:24
37 – Vivian Wehner '09, 25:25
39 – Anne Motlow '09, 26:03
40 – Ely Shapiro '10, 26:16
42 – Caitlin Aylward '10, 27:07
43 – Courtney King '10, 27:09

NMH
10/18/2008

On this beautiful, crisp fall day, we brought 12 runners to race at NMH. The 5K course begins and ends with a short grassy loop around a baseball field. Other than that, the girls raced with very little spectator support on one big trail loop through the woods. They had to be alert on this true cross country course, and that added to the challenge and the fun! We came into this race very tired after one of our heaviest training weeks (not to mention the fact that it was midterm week!). All things considered, the girls ran extremely well, working together and embracing races at a variety of levels. Results for all Andover runners are listed below.

1 – Abby Levene '09, 19:20
2 – Stephanie Moroney '09, 19:57
3 – Berol Dewdney '09, 20:05
4 – Aubrey Zimmerling '09, 20:42
5 – Georgina Norton '09, 20:45
6 – Caitlin Kingston '11, 20:56
9 – Katie Ellinger '12, 22:00
10 – Molly Levene '12, 22:35
11 – Annie McDonough '09, 22:38
13 – Shannon Adams '12, 23:15
17 – Alessandra Powell '11, 24:40
18 – Lydia Azaret '12, 24:44

Deerfield
10/25/2008

Today was a bittersweet day with 10 seniors racing on our home course for the last time. They certainly went out in style! The day was a huge success for the entire team. We had 27 Andover girls race. 15 of

them ran Personal Bests, 3 more ran Season Bests, and 22 of them had run our home course earlier this season and ran faster today! Mental toughness brought a number of runners to break important barriers today and we look forward to the opportunity to race at Exeter next Saturday. With so many outstanding performances, it is not easy to highlight individuals, but a standout highlight of the day was the performance of newcomer Marhelich Santos '12, who took a remarkable 3:09 off her previous race time! Congratulations to all! Results for all Andover runners are listed below.

1 – Abby Levene '09, 18:16
2 – Stephanie Moroney '09, 18:51
3 – Berol Dewdney '09, 18:59
4 – Georgina Norton '09, 19:16
5 – Aubrey Zimmerling '09, 19:51
6 – Caitlin Kingston '11, 20:00
7 – Becca MacRae '09, 20:49
8 – Tavie Abell '10, 20:55
9 – Katie Ellinger '12, 21:20
11 – Molly Levene '12, 21:40
12 – Breezy Jordan '09, 21:48
13 – Caroline Gezon '10, 21:54
14 – Annie McDonough '09, 21:54
15 – Stassja Sichko '10, 21:56
16 – Mia Pecora '10, 22:14
18 – Shannon Adams '12, 22:27
21 – Jessica Siemer '10, 22:52
22 – Alessandra Powell '11, 23:12
24 – Olivia Panaccio Tresham '09, 23:31
25 – Marhelich Santos '12, 23:31
28 – Maggie Shoemaker '12, 23:55
29 – Eve Simister '12, 24:03
30 – Emily Wei '09, 24:19
35 – Emily Adler '12, 25:15
36 – Caitlin Aylward '10, 25:59
37 – Ely Shapiro '10, 26:20
39 – Laura Wu '10, 29:42

Exeter

11/1/2008

On a perfect fall running day, we traveled up to race on Exeter's inviting course. We knew we would see good competition at all levels, which we did. While Exeter runners and Andover runners intermingled

throughout the race, Andover's sheer numbers at every level were overpowering and brought us to victory. Of the 27 Andover runners who finished the race today, 19 had personal bests and another 4 had season bests – a great day and a wonderful way to end our regular season … undefeated! Congratulations to all! Results for all Andover runners are listed below.

Next Saturday, we will take approximately 18 girls to the NEPSTA Division I Cross Country Championships at Avon Old Farms School in CT, aiming to earn a fourth straight Championship title at both the Varsity and JV levels.

1 – Abby Levene '09, 17:52 (course record)
3 – Stephanie Moroney '09, 18:26
4 – Berol Dewdney '09, 18:31
6 – Aubrey Zimmerling '09, 19:21
7 – Georgina Norton '09, 19:42
8 – Caitlin Kingston '11, 19:52
10 – Tavie Abell '10, 20:23
12 – Becca MacRae '09, 20:41
13 – Molly Levene '12, 20:44
14 – Katie Ellinger '12, 21:01
16 – Stassja Sichko '10, 21:22
17 – Caroline Gezon '10, 21:25
18 – Annie McDonough '09, 21:27
20 – Mia Pecora '10, 21:37
22 – Jessica Siemer '10, 22:11
23 – Olivia Panaccio Tresham '09, 22:12
24 – Shannon Adams '12, 22:14
26 – Alessandra Powell '11, 22:21
28 – Maggie Shoemaker '12, 22:41
31 – Lydia Azaret '12, 23:57
32 – Cora Lewis '09, 24:13
33 – Emily Adler '12, 24:24
34 – Emily Wei '09, 24:25
35 – Ely Shapiro '10, 24:54
36 – Caitlin Aylward '10, 25:12
37 – Sindhu Chitturi '09, 25:44
40 – Enek Peterson '12, 37:45

Varsity
1st Place – Andover, 25 points
2nd Place – St. Paul's School, 80 points
3rd Place – Exeter, 90 points

JV

1st Place – Andover, 15 points

2nd Place – Loomis Chaffee, 51 points

3rd Place – St. Paul's School, 91 points

Interschols

11/8/2008

Andover girls are celebrating a tremendous day, having won our interscholastic championship ("interschols") at both the Varsity and JV level for the fourth year in a row. After two weeks of races where we focused on individual achievement and improved times, the girls came together more than ever today, with the goal of optimizing team performance. Today was all about the team. So on this rainy day, the girls raced smart and worked together. The result is evident in the team scores. The girls enjoyed the relatively flat and rather fun course, even though it got increasingly muddy throughout the day. The finish of each race was emotional, as our eight seniors finished their last race, and as we all savored the unique accomplishment of earning this honor four years in a row. I am very proud of these girls, who trained hard and raced with focus and who went into this race with a fine balance of confidence and humility. Congratulations to all who raced today and to all of the members of this team who contributed to the positive dynamic, which ultimately led to the team's overall success! Results for all Andover runners are listed below. Full results are available at www.coolrunning.com.

Varsity

1 – Abby Levene '09, 18:22 (course record and 2nd year as NEPSTA Division I Champion!)

3 – Stephanie Moroney '09, 19:07

4 – Berol Dewdney '09, 19:10

8 – Georgina Norton '09, 19:46

9 – Caitlin Kingston '11, 19:53

10 – Aubrey Zimmerling '09, 19:58

30 – Becca MacRae '09, 21:30

JV

1 – Katie Ellinger '12, 20:52

2 – Tavie Abell '10, 21:10

3 – Caroline Gezon '10, 21:46

4 – Stassja Sichko '10, 22:00

5 – Molly Levene, '12, 22:12

7 – Mia Pecora '10, 22:29

11 – Jessica Siemer '10, 22:54

12 – Olivia Panaccio Tresham '09, 22:54

16 – Annie McDonough '09, 23:01

19 – Shannon Adams '12, 23:12

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Stephanie Moroney '09 (left) Aubrey Zimmerling '09 (right) race through campus on a practice run.

Girls Cross Country Looks to Take Home Interschols Championship for 4th Straight Year

By Peter Nelson
PHILLIPIAN **SPORTS WRITER**

The Girls Cross Country team knows how to do almost everything, except lose. The team has captured the New England Championship for the past three years. And after last year's undefeated season, Andover hopes to make it a four-peat.

Last year, led by former Captain Jen Downing '08, Abby Levene '09, Stephanie Moroney '09 and Captain Berol Dewdney '09, the team marched through the season, beating every team it faced, including Choate, St. Paul's, Northfield Mount Herman, Deerfield and Exeter.

The girls dominated at Interschols with Andover securing the top three spots and all seven varsity runners finishing in the top 14. Levene finished with a course record time of 18:28, followed by Downing and Moroney. All seven girls were named to the Boston Globe's "All New England Cross Country Team," while Levene was named the league's All-Star.

This year, Captain Dewdney, Levene and Moroney return to lead another strong team with high hopes for another New England Championship. The girls will face traditional rivals Choate, Exeter and Deerfield, as well as host the annual Andover Developmental Invitational, where team scores are not counted and runners at all levels, including coaches and alumni, have a chance to compete in a relaxed environment.

The team boasts the strongest Senior class that it has in memory. Levene, Dewdney,

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Exceptional Senior Class Unprecedented in Talent, Depth

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Moroney, and Aubrey Zimmerling '09 four of last year's top seven, are all back and looking stronger than ever. Georgina Norton '09, who missed last year's season to attend the Oxbow School in California and Breezy Jordan '09, back from an injury, promise to occupy two more of the varisty spots. Tavie Abell `10 looks to join the varsity squad this year, while stand-out JV runner Kristen Faulkner `11 is trying to make her way back from an injury that ended her spectacular start to last year.

The team is preparing for the season with a rigorous training regiment, including long-distance and speed runs, as well as intense sessions in the pool.

With the addition of new students and barring any major injuries, Andover expects to be excellent shape to succeed in capturing its fourth New England Championship in as many years.

Last year, the top seven runners and one alternate explored unfamiliar territory by qualifying for and competing in Nike Team Regionals in upstate New York. Racing against the strongest teams in the Northeast for the first time, Andover finished fourth, just two places from qualifying for Nike Team Nationals in Oregon.

Now familiar with the race, the girls hope to compete again and capture a spot at Nationals.

Andover Hosts Developmental Invitational; Ganner '10 and Levene '09 Capture First

By Katherine Ellinger
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Saturday's weather may have been fierce, but the Girls Cross Country team proved fiercer. Tropical storm Hanna brought heavy rain during the Phillips Andover Cross Country Invitational, turning dirt to ankle-deep patches of mud and soaking all of the runners. This didn't stop the team from achieving its goal, though: before the race, Coach Nancy Lang made it clear that "every one our girls should finish with a smile."

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And the girls did just that; everyone from the winner of the varsity race, Abby Levene '09, to first time racers, were pleased with their performances. Jordan Miller-Surrat '12 watched Levene finish the race. Miller-Surrat said, "She was in the zone. She looked so happy afterwards, though!" Levene finished the race in 19:10, over 30 seconds faster than the next finisher.

Despite the severe weather, many girls ran a personal record. Shannon Adams '12 beat her previous personal best by a whole minute. "I was so surprised when I saw the clock!" said Adams. "I really had no idea how well I had run."

Adams finished the JV in 3rd

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place, with a time of 22:24. Captain Berol Dewdney '09 ran strong and infused her strength in the other girls as soon as she finished. Katie Benvenuti '12, a spectator, said, "The whole time that people were finishing, she was cheering them on. She gave hugs to everybody!"

This warm, happy attitude helped finishing girls give that extra kick to finish the race. Adams said, "Berol cheered me while I was finishing. She gave me the energy to sprint to the finish line."

Every single girl who started the race was able to finish it, a rare feat. In most meets, at least a few girls have to stop running partway through the race.

During the team meeting on Monday, Coach Lang told the team how proud she was, and how this was such an amazing accomplishment.

The team was successful in scoring, too.

Although the team scores of the meet were not officially counted, Andover girls took six of the top ten spots in both the Varsity and JV races, a definitive victory.

Seeing so many Andover girls receiving medals was a proud moment for many runners and parents.

Medals were given to the top 10 girls in each race. This added to the relaxed atmosphere of the entire meet.

This relaxed atmosphere was helpful to many of the girls on the team, especially since for many of them, it was their first high school race.

"I was pretty nervous for the race," said Adams. "It turned out that it was really just a lot of fun!"

The meet was successful for all involved; whether scores, atmosphere or happiness determine success, all runners were satisfied.

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Levene Sets Record

Breaks Course Record by 13 Seconds

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that I was going to beat the record!"

The previous record holder was Andover alumna Melissa Donais '01.

The girl's Cross Country team achieved victory as a whole, too.

It beat the Saint Paul's team by 32 points. Andover girls took all of the top five places.

Coach Lang said, "Many of our times were significantly faster than those on Saturday. We really came together as a team – girls were running in pairs or groups for the whole race. They pulled each other to faster times."

This really helped Molly Levene, who said, "It was so fun to be there with the team, and everybody's so supportive of each other. That really helps."

Andover brought 29 girls to the meet, two thirds of all the girls in the competition.

"It's amazing that we could take so many girls," said Coach Lang.

"This early in the season, it's rare to have that many girls who are in shape to race safely, and really want to. I'm just so proud of our team!"

Coach Lang has reason to be proud.

The team is undefeated, and looks forward to racing on Northfield Mount Herman's challenging and technical course next weekend.

NMH has struggled so far this season, but will look to get back on track when they race Exeter on Saturday.

Andover Sweeps St. Paul's; Levene Breaks Course Record

By Peter Nelson
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	19
Choate	44

Andover	15
St. Pauls	40

The girls' Cross Country team continues to dominate. Choate's hilly course couldn't stand up to the girls, and neither could St. Paul's course record.

At the Choate meet last Saturday, Andover won nine out of the top ten positions, for a score 25 points ahead of Choate.

Coach Nancy Lang said, "I'm so proud! Having fourteen girls there who all ran so well was amazing. Everybody finished in a healthy and happy way, and that's the important thing."

Captain Berol Dewdney '09 won the race, finishing in 20:01. She managed to outrun the next finisher, a Choate girl, by four seconds, and Georgina Norton '09 by 27 seconds.

Most girls ran slower times than they had on the course at home, no doubt due to Choate's challenging course.

Molly Levene '12, a promising new runner, called Choate's big hill "a major mountain! Way bigger than the one in the Sanctuary."

Coach Lang said, "It was a really hard course. All of our girls did really well, though! I think it was kind of neat for many of the runners because the Interscholastic Championship was on the same course last year."

The team performed even better on Wednesday, though, lead by Abby Levene '09.

Levene wasn't able to go to the Choate meet, but she made up for it at Saint Paul's. Not only did she outrun all of the other girls by over 45 seconds, but also broke the course record of 19:00 with 18:47.

Levene said about the record, "I didn't think about it before the race. I was looking forward to running, it's a great course." She said about running, "I was focused. At the end I was having fun, and felt energized, but I didn't know

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Abby Levene '09 kicks her way to a new course record.

Girls Cross Country Snags Top 6 Places

By Katherine Ellinger
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	15
NMH	48

Arriving at Northfield Mount Hermon on Saturday, runners on the Girls Cross Country team immediately started to shiver. With the temperature in the 40s, the cold weather was sure to slow down race times. Weather wasn't the biggest challenge of the day though; NMH's challenging course is notorious for its hills. Despite these difficulties, the team dominated.

Andover girls Abby Levene '09, Stephanie Meroney '09, Captain Berol Dewdney '09, Aubrey Zimmerling '09, Georgina Norton '09 and Caitlin Kingston '11 all finished before the first NMH girl, for a score of 15-48.

Despite winning so definitively, the rocky, root-filled and hilly terrain hindered the girls from achieving personal records. This didn't dampen their spirits though; knowing that NMH's course was so challenging, they set goals to run negative splits or beat their previous times on the same course – and most of these goals were met.

Twelve runners came to run, but one, Breezy Jordan '09, was unable to due to pains in her shins. Despite not being able to compete, Jordan kept up the rest of the team's spirits, cheering for all of the runners as they finished.

While the team jogged the course for a warm up, Coach Nancy Lang told the team to run the course with an interval mentality: get through the first mile, relax and calm down, get through the second, relax, get through the third.

Coach Lang's excellent strategy and hill workouts in the previous weeks allowed Andover girls to feel confident on the course.

Although Andover's home course doesn't have as many hills as NMH's, it does have one big hill known as Heartbreak. The team had been running hill repeats on it in the weeks before the meet and became significantly stronger because of this.

Coach Marshall said, "We prepared for the hills by doing extensive hill workouts. We did three local hill workouts the week before the race, and they clearly paid off."

Before the race, Molly Levene '12 said, "I was a little nervous, but excited, too." Levene finished in 10th place, with a time of 22:35. "I'd heard that the course was really hard. It was a lot of rolling hills, but they were big. We did a lot to prepare for them, though, so it really wasn't that bad."

Levene wasn't prepared for the weather, though. When she started to shiver after the first mile, the support of her teammates really helped her. "I think I just didn't wear enough layers," she said.

"There is a clear cohesiveness," said Coach Marshall. "The girls have been really coming together as a team. They help each other so much."

As a team, the cross country girls have dominated thus far. The Andover Invitational wasn't scored, but Andover girls took six of the top ten spots for a clear victory. At the Choate race, Andover scored 19–44, and at St. Paul's, not only did the girls win 15 – 40, but Abby Levene '09 broke the course record with a time of 18:47.

The team looks forward to the next race, at home, against Deerfield.

Andover Secures Decisive Victory; 15 Personal Bests Achieved in Race

By Katherine Ellinger
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	**15**
Deerfield	**50**

The Girls Cross Country team stepped up its intensity for parents' weekend. The team reached success unparalleled this season, sweeping the meet 15 – 50, and securing the top nine places.

The entire team was a part of this success – out of 27 Andover girls running, 15 broke their personal best times.

Abby Levene '09, winner of the race, said, "We have a really hard course, and I don't think that the Deerfield runners realized that. They started fast, but the Andover girls didn't let that affect them. We just ran our own race, and it paid off by the end."

Marhelich Santos '12 displayed the most improvement. She ran the course in 23:31, over three minutes faster than her previous record, 26:40.

Santos said, "Our practices were gradually getting harder and I had a really good week. I put much more effort into the practices, so I was expecting a little improvement, but I was so excited when I found out how much faster I ran".

A tradition of the Girls Cross Country team is getting a t-shirt after breaking a certain time. Santos said, "Actually getting the 'under 24 club' shirt was a big thing. It's so cool!"

Among those who ran personal bests was Abby Levene '09, who won the meet in 18:16, twelve seconds faster than her previous record. Levene was 35 seconds faster than the next runner.

"When I got onto the great lawn, I realized that it was the last time I would be running there. I think that made me run faster, but it also made me sad. Crossing the finish line was bittersweet." said Levene.

Another personal best went to Stephanie Moroney '09, who was one of three girls to run the course in under nineteen minutes. She came in second, with a time of 18:51.

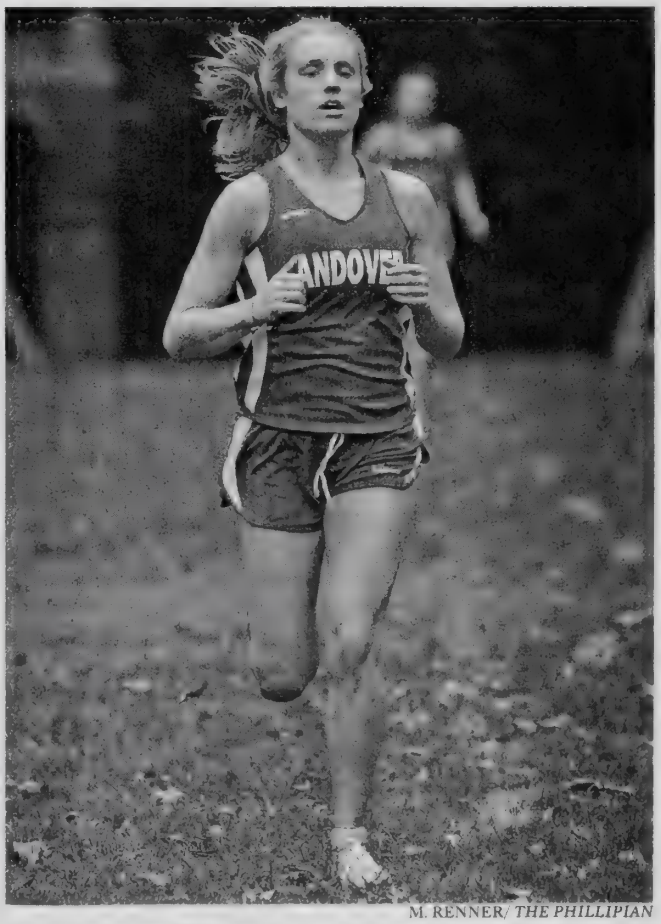
Dewdney, ran the course in 18:59. Although she was happy about reaching her goal of breaking 19:00, Dewdney was melancholy about finishing her last home meet in her Andover career: "I was so sad. I crossed the line and I started laughing and crying. It was sad but it was also really happy and I couldn't have asked for more."

Ten of the girls on the team are seniors, and ran their home course for the last time on Saturday.

Even Juniors looking forward to three more seasons of Cross Country felt a little sad as they finished. "I really enjoyed this season," said Santos.

This is a common thought; all seven of the juniors on the team look forward to the time when they will be seniors.

This Saturday, Andover will face Exeter on the opposition's



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Becca MacRae '09 races toward a time 20:49. She placed seventh in the Andover sweep over Deerfield.

GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY

Levene Shatters Record

Andover Lands Seven in Top Ten

By Katherine Ellinger
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	21
Exeter	39

COURTESY OF S.LEVENE

Nineteen of the 27 runners on the Andover Girls Cross Country team recorded personal best times in the team's last regular season race. Andover cruised past Exeter 21-39 and placed seven runners in the top ten.

Abby Levene '09 not only won the race but also set a course record of 17:52 in the process. Levene said, "It was my goal to go under 18 minutes. Even still, I was surprised that I actually did it."

The Exeter team, one of the strongest in Andover's division, challenged the top Andover pack in the race's first mile. "The two top Exeter runners started the race really fast, faster than I would have liked. But after about three-quarters of a mile, they could not keep up the pace any longer. I felt strong, though, so I sped up a bit," said Levene.

Exeter's course, one of the flattest in the league, usually yields fast times. However, Coach Nancy Lang said, "Although the course is really flat, the conditions weren't really that great. There were a few mud puddles, and even though it wasn't that bad, the course wasn't at its best – it didn't seem like the day to break a course record, but Abby went out there and did it anyway."

Coach Nancy Lang couldn't be more proud of Levene. She said, "Abby has been an amazing runner throughout her career here, and she's had so many really fast times, but this is really something else. She is the first Andover girl to run a time that is officially less than 18 minutes."

Many other girls ran their fastest times ever.

It was a team achievement: in addition to the 19 personal records, another four runners had season bests.

Coach Lang said, "All of our girls really did what they needed to do, the day of the race and the week leading up to it. Such amazing improvement – especially since so many people just had a record last week – is really great."

Captain Berol Dewdney '09 also commented on the team's excellence. "We really unified for our last race as a whole team. They have some fast runners, but we really showed strength." Dewdney finished the race fourth with a time of 18:31.

Stassja Sichko '10, who placed 16th with a time of 21:22, commented on the course, saying, "It was definitely really flat. It was so fast that in the beginning I went a little bit faster than I should have for the whole race. It was fun, though."

Coach Lang said, "It's a really good rivalry for both teams. They are definitely one of our strongest competitors, as well as Loomis. We're confident going against them, but not arrogant. Races are won in the moment – some really unexpected things can happen. We'll see when we run against them again on Saturday at Interschols."

The team is really looking forward to the NEPSTA Division 1 Cross Country Championships this Saturday at Avon Old Farms School in Connecticut.

Eighteen runners will compete, all of whom will receive varsity letters.

With a solid performance, Andover could take home its fourth straight title.

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Andover Captures 4th Straight Championship

Seven Varsity Runners Turn in Great Race for Score of 25

By Katherine Ellinger
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

The Girls Cross Country team has, for the fourth year in a row, come home from the NEPSTA Division I Cross Country Championships victorious.

The team came to the meet "confident, but not conceited," said Coach Nancy Lang. Although the team had not been defeated all season, "the race is won on the course, in the moment."

The varsity team won with a score of 25 points. The seven girls running for the varsity team, consisting of Abby Levene '09, Stephanie Moroney '09, Captain Berol Dewdney '09, Georgina Norton '09, Caitlin Kingston '11, Aubrey Zimmerling '09, and Becca MacRae '09, all ran amazing races, finishing respectively.

Levene, the winner of the race, broke the course record by over a minute and a half, with a time of 18:22, and received the title of NEPSTA Div. 1 Champion for the second year in a row.

Coach Lang said, "It's such an amazing thing to win this title four years in a row. Individually our runners each did very well, but success like this comes as a team. Every girl helped each other to get the best team score we could."

The junior varsity team carried on its tradition of "sweeping" the race – winning places one through five for the lowest score possible of 15. Katie Ellinger '12, Tavie Abell '10, Caroline Gezon '10, Stassja Sichko '10 and Molly Levene '12 came in the first five places, respectively.

"Team success depends not only on having talent, but having depth," said Coach Lang. "Our JV girls really show our depth – we have so many amazing runners that they can't all be varsity, so our junior varsity team is especially strong."

Coach Lang has, throughout the season, focused on the growth of each runner.

She said, "Only Berol and Abby were on the varsity team their junior year. Some of the other runners on our varsity team this year didn't come to interschols their first year, which really shows how much they've grown."

Having watched the eight seniors who went to interschols grow up over four years, Coach Lang is sad to have seen their last race.

"We'll really miss them. They are such a strong group of girls, and watching them grow up on the team was really special," said Lang.

She has high hopes for future years, though: "Even though the girls who won the first time are now gone, we have a really bright future. Just look at our JV team – they're so strong and ready."

Dewdney said, "That was the proudest moment for me –

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watching everybody finish at interschols. All of our runners looked so strong."

"Having such a clear win, both in the varsity and junior varsity races, for the fourth year in a row, is such an accomplishment. I really couldn't be more proud," she continued.

At the final team meeting on Tuesday, many runners found that they had tears in their eyes. "I'll really miss this team," said Dewdney.

She continued, "I enjoyed the whole experience so much. In some ways it's not even the running itself but spending so much time with girls you love makes it special."

For the next two weeks the Cross Country team will train for the Nike Regionals, which will be held on November 29.

This year, Regionals will take place in Poughkeepsie, New York.

Girls Cross Country Takes Fourth Place at Nike Northeast Regional

By Katherine Ellinger
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

The Andover Girls Cross Country team blew away all expectations at the Nike Cross Northeast Regional Race, this past Saturday, placing fourth overall.

Andover was ranked sixth coming into the race by race officials. And every last runner on the team contributed to the win, edging out the other prominent teams of the northeast. One of these teams – the Pennsylvania state champions – placed just one point behind Andover. This proved how necessary all runners on the team were – if only one of them had placed a position or two slower, Andover would have come in fifth instead.

"Everyone put everything they had into that race," said Stephanie Moroney '09.

Many of the Andover runners felt nervous coming into the race because the regional was so different from the regular season races. Over 100 girls crowded the starting line, and the competition was at a much higher level.

Abby Levene '09 said, "The race was much bigger and faster than any of the other races we competed in all season... I had no idea how fast the competition would be, but I was expecting it to be really tough."

The atmosphere surrounding the competition was different as well. The race took place in upstate New York and was packed with fans from across the northeast.

"The whole atmosphere of traveling overnight for a race and staying in a hotel with a whole bunch of teams made me so eager to get out on the course," said Georgina Norton '09.

"The day of the race was unlike anything I've ever been a part of. There were people everywhere, Nike vans were selling stuff and there were flags all over the course."

Andover was also at a slight disadvantage coming into the race, as most of the other teams were used to such big races and the high level of competition.

However, Andover was able to fight through the adversity once the race began. The runners found that thinking about their incredibly successful season helped to calm their nerves.

Each Andover runner's strong finish proved vital to the team's high score.

This was the final race for the Andover girls, and the team certainly went out with a bang.

COURTESY OF S.LEVENE

Levene '09 breaks ahead for a strong finish at Regionals.

19:00.8 Time Sends Levene to Oregon

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all the way up the steep incline runners call "Shoot Me Hill," but started to lag behind once the downhill portion began.

"The top three competitors shot ahead, and so it was just me and one other girl fighting for fourth place. With about a quarter of a mile left in the race, I increased my pace to pull ahead," said Levene.

"When the final straightaway came, I just remember hoping that I wouldn't see her sprint by me. When I finally crossed the finish line without getting passed, I barely had any energy left to get out of the way for the runners behind me."

As one of the top five runners from the northeast region, Levene will travel to the Nike Sports Complex in Portland for the national championship to compete against the best high school runners from across the country.

The trip to Oregon will last three days and includes a tour of the Nike Headquarters and a meeting with Olympic runners.

The championship race will occur on the last day of festivities and it will be located on a horseracing track with man-made obstacles along the way.

"I'm excited and also pretty nervous about the whole thing," said Levene.

"The race itself will be really different from what I've grown used to all season long."

As for her strategy going into Nationals, however, Levene plans on approaching the race the same way she has for every race during this successful season.

She said, "I try not to think about the outcome or the strategy involved in the course," she said. "I'm going to do what I always do—just run."

COURTESY OF S.LEVENE

The Girls Cross Country team poses after their fourth-place finish at Nike Regionals. Varsity runners gathered at the podium, marking the end of a successful season.

Sport: Field Hockey

Year: 2008

Captains: Kaitlin Gaiss, Kaitlyn McInnis, Avery Stone

Coach: Kate Dolan

Assistant Coach: Martha Fenton

Season Record

Won 12 Lost 3 Tied 1

Reached NE Quarterfinals

Letterwinners

Beinecke, Hannah
Fanikos, Kaitlin
Flanagan, Colleen
Flynn, Eliza
Gaiss, Kaitlin *
Hampton, Jordan
Keating, Kyleigh
Kowal, Emily
McBeth, Greer
McInnis, Kaitlyn *
McSweeney, Shannon
Pechacek, Alina
Riley, Katherine
Stone, Avery
VanValkenburg, Brooke
Walsh, Kellie
Walsh, Mariana
Washburn, Summer

Phillips Academy
Girls' Field Hockey
Varsity – 2008

No	Name	Pos	Yr	Hometown
1	VanValkenburg, Brooke	D	2012	Garden City, NY
2	Beinecke, Hannah	M	2012	Manchester, MA
4	Fanikos, Kaitlin	D	2011	Andover, MA
5	McInnis, Kaitlyn *	F	2009	Franklin, MA
6	Flanagan, Colleen	F	2010	Boxborough, MA
7	Stone, Avery	D	2010	Providence, RI
8	Walsh, Kellie	D	2011	Andover, MA
12	Keating, Kyleigh	M	2010	Windham, NH
13	Gaiss, Kaitlin *	D	2009	North Andover, MA
14	Hampton, Jordan	M	2012	Exeter, NH
16	Walsh, Mariana	F	2011	Walpole, MA
17	Riley, Katherine	F	2010	Hingham, MA
18	Flynn, Eliza	M	2010	South Hamilton, MA
20	Washburn, Summer	M	2011	Andover, MA
21	Kowal, Emily	F	2009	Ossining, NY
22	McBeth, Greer	F	2012	Keene, NH
55	Pechacek, Alina	G	2009	Andover, MA
69	McSweeney, Shannon	G	2011	Boxborough, MA

* Captain

Coach: Kate Dolan
Assistant Coach: Martha Fenton

Manager: Kenneth Tharp '11 & Ann Doherty'11

Schedule and Record

Record: 12/3/1

DATE/TIME	OPPONENT	H/A	TYPE	SCORE
9/13 @ 2:00 PM	Groton	H	Scrimmage	
9/16 @ 4:30 PM	Governor's Academy	H	Game	W 3-0
9/20 @ 2:15 PM	Loomis	A	Game	W 2-0
9/25 @ 4:30 PM	Brooks	H	Game	W 2-1
9/27 @ 5:15 PM	Tabor	H	Game	W 2-0
10/1 @ 3:15 PM	St. Marks	H	Game	W 3-2
10/4 @ 4:45 PM	Choate	A	Game	L 0-1
10/8 @ 3:00 PM	Milton	A	Game	T 0-0
10/11 @ 3:00 PM	Noble & Greenough	H	Game	W 2-1
10/15 @ 3:15 PM	Middlesex	H	Game	W 3-0
10/18 @ 3:00 PM	N.M.H.	A	Game	W 4-0
10/22 @ 3:30 PM	St. Paul's	A	Game	W 1-0
10/24 @ 6:30 PM	Deerfield	H	Game	W 4-1
10/29 @ 3:15 PM	B.B. & N.	A	Game	W 5-0
11/1 @ 3:15 PM	Cushing	A	Game	W 2-1
11/8 @ 11:15 AM	Exeter	H	Game	L 1-2
11/12 @ 2:15 PM	Wesminster School	H	Tournament	L 0-2

Highlights

Brooks
9/25/2008

Playing against cross town rival Brooks, Andover dominated the opening minutes but could not score. Brooks converted its first opportunity and took a 1-0 lead midway through the first half. Andover fought back and answered to tie the game at 1-1. Despite good chances for each team in the second half, neither team could find the back of the net. With time running out, Andover was awarded a penalty corner. Unable to convert on the first attempt, Andover received another corner with time expired and that scenario was repeated two more times until the Big Blue converted their fourth corner into a goal and took the very dramatic 2-1 victory.

Choate
10/4/2008

Traveling to Wallingford, CT Andover had a sluggish start and the team simply could not get in sync against Choate. Throughout the first half, Choate had the edge in play, in corners and in shots. Andover regrouped and played a much stronger second half but the girls in blue could not find the back of the Choate goal. Choate scored in the last 30 seconds of the game to take the win 1-0 over the Big Blue.

St. Paul's
10/22/2008

Playing on the road again, this time at St. Paul's, the girls in blue went up against a determined and aggressive Big Red squad. St Paul's played passionately and pushed the Big Blue to overtime before Andover could get one past the SPS defense. One minute and thirty seconds into the overtime period, Summer Washburn took a shot from the left wing and netted the game winner. Andover dominated most of the play in terms of possession, corners and opportunities but St. Paul's kept the Big Blue offense off the board all afternoon. With the overtime win, Andover improves to 9-1-1 on the season and the team will host Deerfield Friday night under the lights at 6:30.

Exeter
11/8/2008

In the regular season finale, Andover lost 1-2 in overtime to traditional rival Exeter. Today's game was well played and hard fought on both sides. The first half was a back and forth affair with each team having a few

stellar chances, but neither able to capitalize. Andover goalie Shannon McSweeney made several outstanding saves for the Big Blue. After a scoreless first half, Andover netted the first goal of the game about midway through the second half. Unfortunately, Exeter responded with a goal of their own to tie the game at one. The game remained tied so the teams went to overtime and again, each team had good opportunities and with less than 45 seconds to play, Exeter scored the winning goal to take the win. Andover finishes the regular season with a 12-2-1 record.

Westminster

11/12/2008

Hosting number 5 seed Westminster, number four seed Andover lost 2-0 in NEPSAC Class A field hockey tournament action. The first half was very evenly played as each team had a few good scoring opportunities but neither could find the back of the net. Westminster started the second half strong and scored their two goals within forty seconds (25:45 and 25:05). Andover tried to get on the board and had several corner and good scoring opportunities but the Big Blue could not get the elusive finishing touch. Westminster played hard and fast all afternoon and they will advance to play in the semi-finals on Saturday at Greenwich Academy against the winner of the Hotchkiss (1) vs Deerfield (8) game. The girls in blue finish the season with a record of 12-3-1. The players and coaches would like to thank all our devoted parents and fans for their support throughout the fall. We would also like to applaud the efforts and contributions from our four seniors: captain Kaitlin Gaiss, Emily Kowal, Captain Kaitlyn McInnis and Alina Pechacek.

Andover Field Hockey Builds off of 2007 Semi-Final Campaign

By Maggie Law
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Ending last fall with a well-earned trip to the semi-finals, the Girls Field Hockey team enters this season with high expectations. A combination of strong returning players and young, new players promises to create a formidable force.

Last season the team finished with an impressive record of 10 wins, three losses and three ties. Even though it graduated many valuable seniors, the team boasts nine returning players.

Seniors Alina Pechacek '09 and Co-Captains Kaitlin Gaiss '09 and Kaitlyn McInnis '09 will all play pivotal roles on the field this fall. Returning Uppers Eliza Flynn '10, Colleen Flanagan '10 and Captain Avery Stone '10 have also taken on leadership roles on the field and will be important to watch as the season continues.

Lowers Summer Washburn '11, Shannon McSweeney '11 and Kellie Walsh '11 have all returned with significantly improved skills. They will provide good depth and should be a big help in carrying the team.

Coach Kate Dolan said, "We have a great core group of returning players, and [Coach] Martha [Fenton] and I believe that they will provide a strong foundation for the team throughout the fall."

In addition to the talented squad of returning players, there are many new students in all grades who will make an impact this season. New Upper Kyleigh Keating '10 brings a large set of skills and years of experience and is expected to be a critical member of the team.

Coaches Dolan and Fenton believe the team's success depends on many factors, including practices and team communication.

It will also rely on how driven the team is and its level of motivation. Dolan additionally said the team's success will be significantly depend on how well it can bounce back from mistakes and setbacks.

Co-Captain Mcinnis said Dolan and Fenton create a fantastic coaching pair, especially on the field, and they can take the team far "with their talent for developing players and giving useful advice."

A combination of these coaching skills should provide a strong foundation and help bring the team to a winning season.

Mcinnis also commented, "Avery, Gaiss, and I are very excited to lead a team that's already showing a lot of promise. It's just going to take some hard work and a positive attitude and hopefully we'll surpass our achievements from last year."

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Brooke Van Valkenburg '12 strikes in a shooting drill.

Andover Tops Brooks, 2-1

Goals from Flynn '10 and Washburn '11

By Riley Gardner
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Time has run out and the game is tied 1-1 against Brooks; Andover has one last chance to score with an extended corner. Kelly Walsh '11 passes the ball to Eliza Flynn '10, who at the top of the circle fires a shot to score and win the game.

Last Thursday, Andover Field Hockey had a heated and important game against its cross-town rival Brooks. After years of Brooks dominating these games, Andover triumphed 2-1.

Andover scored early in the first half with a tip in by Summer Washburn '11. Brooks, however, rallied back with a quick goal off a corner just a few minutes later.

Brooks and Andover were evenly matched. "The game was pretty much back and forth, but we stayed composed and our communication was strong, which is the main reason we came out with a win," said Co-Captain Kaitlyn McInnis '09.

In the second half of the game Andover's defense stepped up, not allowing Brooks to score another goal.

Andover's offense showed how its aggressive nature could pay off. The game ended with four consecutive extended corners for Andover. Kyleigh Keating '10 took a free hit into the circle with three seconds on the clock to get PA its first corner.

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Brooks showed strong defense, and Andover was unable to score until the fourth and final attempt, which won the game.

"Rarely do you see a game end on an extended corner... credit to all the players who demonstrated great poise and composure in the waning moments of the game," Coach Kate Dolan said.

After Flynn's goal, the girls formed a massive dog pile in the center of the field, ecstatic over their win.

On Saturday, Andover faced off against Tabor, another tough opponent, at home. Tabor, however, was not the teams' only opponent; the girls were also battling against torrential downpours.

Thanks to a high quality turf field, both teams were able to continue on with only small changes in the game.

Goalie Shannon McSweeney '11 said that to overcome the weather she focused on what Coach Dolan said in a huddle before the game "foul weather is nothing to a great team; it really pushed us to play our best with the hopes of proving ourselves."

Once again Andover succeeded with a 2-0 win. The girls started off slow in the first half. Once Mariana Walsh '11 scored a minute into the second half, the team began to play more confidently.

Unlike the Brooks game, which for both teams had a total of 24 corners, the Tabor game only had 1 corner.

This week against St. Marks, Andover continued its winning streak with a 3-2 victory.

Neither team scored in the first half, so going into the second the stakes were high. McInnis scored the first goal with an assist from Keating.

Keating had a free hit into the circle which McInnis slapped in passed the goalie.

St. Mark's responded with a quick goal, tying the game at 1-1. Andover continued strong, kept intensity up and went on to score two unanswered goals.

Keating scored Andover's second goal of the game during a corner; she received a quick pass from Flynn. McInnis scored the third goal on a breakaway to net, which gave the team a more comfortable lead.

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Avery Stone '10 pushes the ball past an oncoming defender.

Field Hockey Falls to Choate; Bounces Back in Draw to Milton

By Riley Gardner
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	0
Choate	1

Andover	0
Milton	0

With fewer than 30 seconds on the clock, Andover conceded a goal to undefeated rival Choate this past Saturday, losing their first game of the season and losing the hope of an undefeated season.

This week, Andover had an unusually quiet offense, scoring no goals in a 1-0 loss to Choate and a 0-0 tie to Milton.

A 0-1-1 week tainted the previously perfect record for the Varsity Field Hockey Team.

On Saturday, Andover made the long journey to Connecticut to face an undefeated Choate team.

Andover knew their opponents would be strong, so the team made every effort to get off the bus strong and ready to begin playing.

From the opening whistle, it was clear that Andover had not quite gotten off the bus the way it had hoped to.

During the game, the team's normal dynamic play and communication wasn't there.

A combination of the long bus ride and a long grass field made it tough for Andover to match Choate's high level of play.

"We had many obstacles present in the Choate game but we need to become more comfortable in situations that don't suit us so we can overcome them with ease," Co-Captain Kaitlin Gaiss '09 explained.

Throughout the game, a defensive battle took place as both teams maintained a 0-0 score until the last 30 seconds, when Choate scored a quick goal to make the score 1-0.

"It was an unfortunate loss, but it taught us the lesson that we need to play to the last whistle," said Goalie Shannon McSweeney '11.

On Wednesday, Andover had their third consecutive away game against Milton. Despite outplaying Milton, the game resulted in a 0-0 tie.

During the game, Andover had possession in the offensive half of the field but couldn't seem to score.

The team would do all of the work to get there, but had problems putting the ball in the back of the net.

One of the difficulties for Andover was that they had to adjust to a rough grass field.

Used to it's smooth turf as a playing surface, Andover had difficulties with the grass as balls bounced over sticks throughout the game.

"As a team we did a great job making opportunities for ourselves but had trouble capitalizing on them," said McSweeney '11.

The biggest opportunity came with about two minutes left on the clock.

Freshman Hannah Beinecke '12 was open at the net but was stick checked as she was about to take the shot that could have potentially won the game for Andover.

Despite having many chances to score, Andover couldn't capitalize, and the game ended in a 0-0 tie.

Emily Kowal '09 had a great game defensively, stepping up and anticipating Milton plays well. Also, Kowal '09 had some great clears out of the circle.

"Coming off of a tough loss, we improved a ton; and although we all would have loved to win, ties happen and we need to move forward," Gaiss commented.

Andover will have a chance to strike back this Saturday with a home game against Nobles.

Nobles is always a strong competitor. This year, Nobles is undefeated and has cruised through ISL play in the first half of the season.

Andover will need to penetrate a Nobles defense which has only yielded one goal so far on the season.

Last year, Andover tied Nobles 1-1. This Saturday, Andover hopes to get back on the right track after a disappointing week.

Strong Defense Keeps Middlesex Offense Contained in Shutout

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fantastic game. "The thing that really made a difference in the Nobles game is that we were mentally prepared; we were healthy, rested and ready to take on our undefeated opponent," said Co-Captain Kaitlyn McInnis '09.

On Wednesday, Andover faced the skilled Middlesex squad. But with a strong defense and a smooth and aggressive offense, Andover dominated the game 3-0.

The game started out slow for Andover, with Middlesex possessing the ball for the majority of the game. An advantage for Middlesex was the fact that all season they have been playing on a turf field of their own. The turf on their field is smoother than the turf on Andover's home field, leading to a faster paced game than Andover is used to.

Fifteen minutes into the game, Andover stepped it up. The team went on to score two consecutive goals within 16 seconds of each other with six minutes left in the first half. Shannon McSweeney '11 went as far to say that, "We played with more heart than we had all season."

In the second half the girls played extremely well, demonstrating hustle, poise and determination. McInnis said "We moved the ball to space and took advantage of our home turf."

Middlesex was a very fast and aggressive team that constantly attempted fast breaks, but Andover's strong defensive skills kept the strong offense at bay.

"We had some unbelievable plays that showed a great knowledge to anticipate the plays on the field," McSweeney remarked.

"As the game went on, the team kept playing better and better," said Coach Dolan.

On Saturday Andover heads to Northfield Mount Hermon for an away game on grass. The team hopes to carry their positive momentum with them to NMH to help them overcome challenges that they may face on the unfamiliar playing surface.

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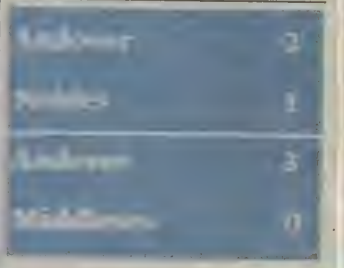
Colleen Flanagan '10 stick checks a Middlesex defender.

Field Hockey Goes 2-0

Outscores Opponents 5-1 on Week

By Riley Gardner
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER



Andover	2
Nobles	1
Andover	3
Middlesex	0

After sprinting the length of the field, Colleen Flanagan '10 fired a pass across the mouth of the net, where Eliza Flynn '10 slid the ball past the keeper to increase Andover's lead over Middlesex this past Wednesday in their 3-0 win.

This week, Andover faced off against two strong ISL opponents in Nobles and Middlesex. Coming off of a disappointing 0-1-1 week, the team's 2-0 record this week shows their ability to bounce back. As Coach Kate Dolan explained, "After losing to Choate in the last 30 seconds of the game and then tying Milton 0-0, Nobles was a very important game for us."

This past Saturday, Andover played a Nobles team that had been previously undefeated in their season. Coming into the game, Andover anticipated Nobles to be a very tough test, and it knew that it would have to work hard in order to achieve victory.

Andover has an especially competitive rivalry with Nobles. The combination of the rivalry, along with recent upsets drove Andover to step up and play a

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Riley '10 and McBeth '12 Tally First Career Goals in PA's 4-0 Win

By Riley Gardner
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	1
St. Paul's	0

Andover	4
NMH	0

Summer Washburn '11 netted a game-winning goal in sudden death overtime this past Wednesday, scoring the lone goal in Andover's 1-0 victory over St. Paul's. On Saturday, Andover's defense was once again stifling in yet another shutout, defeating Northfield Mount Hermon 4-0.

In Wednesday's game versus St. Paul's, official play ended in a scoreless tie. Less than a minute into sudden death, however, Kyleigh Keating '10 blocked a free hit and proceeded down the sideline with the ball.

After crossing into St. Paul's half of the field, Keating sent a hard cross to Washburn, who fired a shot into the far corner of the net for the game-winning goal.

With just over six minutes remaining in the game, Co-Captain Kaitlyn McInnis '09 took a high ball just below the knee and had to be escorted off the field.

Her fellow Co-Captain Kaitlin Gaiss '09 was also out with illness. Despite the absence of two team leaders, Andover demonstrated its resilience by surviving for the victory.

Co-Captain Avery Stone '10 rose to fill the shoes of her missing counterparts. "Stone did a great job breaking down the plays and keeping the ball out of the circle to allow for only one shot on Andover's goal," said Shannon McSweeney '11.

Andover dominated the game. "It's notable that everyone did a great job keeping it on our offensive end of the field," said Alina Pechacek '09.

Although Andover controlled the pace of the game, the team had a hard time finishing its plays in crucial situations.

The solid defense, however, kept the ball in Andover's possession and ultimately carried the team to the victory.

Saturday's 4-0 victory over Northfield Mount Hermon once again displayed Andover's versatility and strong team cohesion.

Mariana Walsh '11 opened the game with a goal to give Andover an early lead, and Keating soon followed with a goal of her own to make the score 2-0.

Katie Riley '10 and Greer McBeth '12 both scored their first goals for Andover, and their combined effort resulted in Andover's impressive four-goal victory.

McInnis and Eliza Flynn '10 each had two assists in the game. Goalies McSweeney and Pechacek split time in the net to preserve the shut-out.

Overall the defensive line played extremely well. "They were able to keep the ball in our attacking zone, which led to some of our goals," said Coach Kate Dolan.

With Stone out with an injury, Gaiss filled in as sweeper. Right back Brooke Van Valkenburg '12 had a particularly strong game, stopping almost every ball and player that came her way.

"The depth and versatility of our team is our greatest strength, and the entire team played extremely well," said Coach Dolan.

"Everyone can play all over the field. As a whole we are an extremely flexible team with a lot of chemistry," said Kellie Walsh '11.

On Saturday, Andover will play Deerfield at Phelps Stadium at 3:15. The last time these teams faced off was in last season's semifinals when Andover prevailed 1-0.

Andover Field Hockey Outscores Opponents by 7 Goals in 2 Games

By Riley Gardner
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	3
Deerfield	0
Andover	5
BB&N	1

Led by a dynamic offense, Andover Field Hockey cruised to a two-win week, extending the team's win streak to an impressive six games.

Deerfield and Andover have an extremely competitive past; last year Andover came out on top 1-0 in the semifinals. This game was expected to be one of the most challenging of the season. Andover jumped out to an early lead, however, ending the first half up 3-0.

The ball was kept almost entirely in Andover's offensive end throughout the first half. The few times that the ball crossed over the fifty, Andover's defense quickly stopped Deerfield's attack. Co-Captain Avery Stone '10 led the defense as sweeper, clearing every ball that came her way.

On the home field Andover both started and ended the game strong; a weak point for the team in the past few games has been starting the game off slowly.

After the ball got stuck in Deerfield's goalie's pads, Andover was given its first penalty stroke of the season. Kyleigh Keating '10 stepped up to the line and fired a shot at the upper left corner of the goal, to give Andover its third goal.

Andover's other goals were scored by Colleen Flanagan '10, Summer Washburn '11 and Co-Captain Kaitlyn McInnis '09 and all of the goals were scored in different situations: a fast break, a corner, a stroke, and a rebound put back.

Andover's goalies Shannon McSweeney '11 and Alina Pechacek '09 split time, both having some very strong

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Greer McBeth '12 pokes the ball away from a Deerfield player.

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stops. On one of Deerfield's breakaways, a player rifled a low shot to Pechacek's far right. Pechacek lunged and stopped it dead on her stick and then cleared it out of the circle. Deerfield only managed to slip one goal in the contest.

"We managed to connect all of the little things that we had been working and execute them in the game" Flanagan explained.

Andover continued to dominate against BB&N, winning by a final of 5-0. All of the five goals were scored by different players. Eliza Flynn '10 scored early at to the start of the game, to begin the game off strong. Andover scored three goals all within the first 15 minutes of the game.

Katie Fanikos '10 scored the only goal in the second half to make the score 5-0. On a breakaway, Fanikos charged the net and faked right before shooting the ball into left corner. The goal was her first goal of the season.

Both McInnis and Katie Riley '10 had goals as well.

Overall Andover once again dominated offensively keeping the ball in the attacking end of the field for most of the game

In the first half of the game, Andover played with poise and composure and executed on offensive corners.

Andover lost a lot of momentum in the second half, only scoring one goal. "We came out really strong in the first half and fortunately that lasted us the game because in the second half we lost our offensive momentum." Pechacek said.

This Saturday Andover will play Cushing.

Andover Edges Out Cushing, 2-1; Washburn '11 Nets Game-Winner

By Riley Gardner
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	2
Cushing	1

Summer Washburn '11 dominated in Andover's game against Cushing, scoring both goals to secure the 2-1 win.

Her first goal of the game was scored midway through the first half off of a long hit from Eliza Flynn '10.

Ten minutes into the second half, Cushing tied the game 1-1. But Andover quickly came back; two minutes later Washburn scored again, giving Andover the 2-1 lead. The goal was scored off of a corner, when Washburn retrieved the loose ball in the circle and fired into the back of the net.

Statistically, Andover dominated the game, recording more shots, corners and free hits than the opposition. But Cushing was a tough, aggressive opponent.

Andover created opportunities to score in the circle but struggled to finish with a goal. After the second goal, there were many close attempts to score, but none were successful. "Overall it wasn't our best game but we pushed through our issues in the game and still came out with the win," Flynn said.

Although Andover won, they lacked their usual strong communication and fluidity.

"The Cushing game was a pretty flat game for us. We just didn't come out as cohesive and as energetic as usual," said Co-Captain Kaitlyn McInnis.

Kelly Walsh '11 added, "The middle fielders, backs and forwards were not connecting as usual and people were bunching in the middle." The ball did not change fields or move as sharply as usual.

Despite these few setbacks, Andover ultimately possessed the drive and skill necessary to win.

Now the girls are focusing on their final test of the real season.

This Saturday, Andover will face its archrival, Phillips Exeter.

"Exeter is a very strong team and has some very skilled players and they will be a true test of strength for our team," said Walsh.

Exeter's overall record is 15-1, with only Andover left to play. Exeter's first loss came against the seven-time New England Champion Hotchkiss, ending the game at 1-6.

Andover has an overall record of 12-1-1.

"Record-wise we are considered the underdogs; however, when we work together we are practically unbeatable and I have faith in us as a team," Flynn said.

Last season Andover suffered an upset, losing to Exeter 1-2 in overtime.

This year the team hopes to "play very aggressively, to communicate with poise and clarity and to support one another all over the field. We want to bring synergy not just energy to the field," Coach Kate Dolan explained.

The players are very excited to play another strong team, and they look to use a combination of both fun and intensity; they also hope to get back for last season's loss.

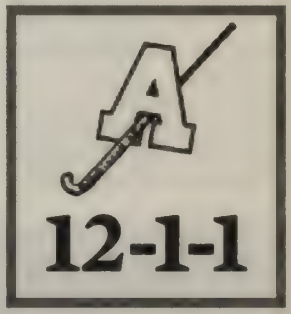
But this year's game is on the home turf—where Andover is undefeated.

The battle will commence this Saturday at 11:30 at Phelps Stadium.

Field Hockey:

Last Three Meetings: 2007: 1–2 (OT, L)
2006: 1–0 (W)
2005: 0-2 (L)

Andover's defense and great goaltending from Shannon McSweeney '11 have been impenetrable all season, only giving up seven goals over the course of the entire season. The team has had a balanced attack all season. A perfect example of this is the team's 5-0 win over BB&N last Saturday, where there were five different goal scorers in the game.



Know Your Opponent:
Exeter's only loss came at the hands of league power Hotchkiss. The Big Red stalwart defense has allowed only 11 goals in 16 games, including a stretch of seven games when the team did not let in one goal. Coupled with this stingy defense is a high-octane offense. Exeter has scored 56 goals on the season.

Andover Falls to Exeter in OT; Season Ends in Quarterfinals

By Riley Gardner
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Exeter	2
Andover	1

Westminster	2
Andover	0

Three minutes into the second half of Saturday's match against arch rival Exeter, Katie Riley '10 scored from a loose ball in the circle to put Andover ahead, 1-0. Despite the early lead, Andover was unable to hold on for the win, falling 2-1 in an exciting overtime loss.

The first half was a constant battle for both teams, and neither side could gain the offensive momentum to score.

After Riley netted her second goal of the season, however, Andover was caught unprepared for Exeter's offensive surge. Exeter responded immediately with a goal off of a restart, tying the game.

Later in the half, Exeter had another scoring opportunity on a penalty stroke, but the shot rolled wide, missing the net.

With the game still tied, both teams prepared to proceed into overtime. Exeter had a few crucial corners, but Andover demonstrated their ability to stay calm under pressure by thwarting the attacks. Andover's defense played strong as a unit, keeping the ball out of the net.

Overtime was similar to regulation play as neither team established consistent control.

To add to the excitement, the game was one of the most well-attended contests of the season for both teams.

With less than a minute left on the clock in overtime, Andover had the ball at the fifty yard line. Exeter, however, created a turnover by stealing the ball and proceeding down the field toward Andover's net.

After Exeter managed to avoid Andover's defenders, goalie Shannon McSweeney '11 rushed out of the net to stop the ball. With 45 seconds left in play, McSweeney attempted to save Exeter's shot. However, it bounced off her pads and continued to roll into the net, giving Exeter the 2-1 victory.

"Exeter was a heartbreaker, but it was only a heartbreaker because each and every member of the team put their entire heart and body into every moment, every play," said Co-Captain Kaitlin Gaiss '09.

McSweeney had an amazing game, making some outstanding saves for her team.

Although Exeter was the end of Andover's regular season, the team still qualified for the playoffs as the league's fourth seed.

Putting the loss to Exeter behind them, the team was determined to go out and continue its season.

On Wednesday, Andover hosted Westminster for the quarterfinals, their last home game. Andover faced another tough loss, however, falling to the fifth-seed, 2-0.

In the first half of the game, neither team could finish in the circle, and entered the second half of the game tied 0-0.

About five minutes into the second half, Westminster scored their first goal off of a corner. Less than 45 seconds later, Westminster used their offensive momentum to net yet another goal, broadening their lead to two goals.

The two early second-half goals gave Andover the majority of the second half to attempt to come back from the deficit.

Andover had some key opportunities in the circle, but was unable to capitalize on them. Co-Captain Avery Stone '10 had a great game as sweeper, stopping Westminster on some key breakaways and giving outlet passes to the wings for quick ball movement. Kyleigh Keating '10 also led the offense with great ball control and defensive tackles.

Andover's season ended with an overall record of 12-3-1.

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Katie Riley '10 and Kyleigh Keating '10 each fight for loose balls against Exeter on the turf.

Phillips Academy
Football Varsity
Roster - 2008

No	Name	Pos	Ht	Wt	Yr	Hometown
4	Hussey, Daniel	QB/DB	6'1	200	2009	Waterville, ME
5	Boyd, Zachary	RB/LB	5'11	205	2010	Ft. Bragg, NC
7	DiGiulian, John	RB/DB	5'8	165	2010	165
8	Bingaman, Alexander	WR/DB	6'	175	2010	Bedford, NY
9	Sykes, Brian	WR/DB	6'2	195	2009	San Francisco, CA
10	Duprey, Luke	WR/S	6'5	190	2010	Concord, NH
11	Bloemsma, Paul	Q/S	6'5	170	2010	New York, NY
12	Morlani, Anthony	WR/S	6'2	180	2009	Wilmington, MA
19	Marcotte, Richard	QB/DE	6'2	210	2011	Tyngsboro, MA
20	Houghton, Edward	RB/LB	5'11	222	2009	Toronto, Ont CAN
21	Gray, Alexander	WR/DB	5'8	140	2010	New York, NY
22	Clark, Samuel	HB/LB	6'	210	2009	Andover, MA
24	McKenna, John	SB/SS	6'1	180	2010	Cohasset, MA
25	Atiba, Joseph	WR/CB	5'11	175	2009	La Selva Beach, CA
31	Dodge, Samuel	SB/LB	5'10	180	2009	Ann Arbor, MI
33	Auffant, Samuel	SB/CB	6'1	175	2009	Hampton, NH
35	Mason Rodriguez, Malcolm	WR/CB	5'10	168	2011	New York, NY
36	Gaiss, Ryan	RB/LB	5'7	150	2011	North Andover, MA
42	Lederfine Paskal, Theodore	TE/LB	6'1	205	2009	Andover, MA
43	Lemmons, Jordan	WR/DB	5'8	146	2009	Denver, CO
47	Jacoubs, Louis	HB/LB	6'1	220	2009	Brockton, MA
50	Vardaro, Robert	OT/DT	6'5	290	2010	North Reading, MA
52	Mosquera, Reid	OL/DN	5'9	215	2009	Andover, MA
54	Pohly, Andrew	OL/DE	6'1	230	2009	Eastlake, OH
56	Furlong, Ryan	OL/DL	6'1	220	2009	Andover, MA
57	Spada, Paul	OL/DE	6'2	225	2009	Tewksbury, MA
58	Levy, Stephen	OL/DL	5'9	170	2009	San Ramon, CA
61	Maher, Patrick	OL/DL	6'2	245	2009	Marblehead, MA
62	Gottfried, Alexander	OL/DL	6'3	255	2009	North Andover, MA
63	Austin, Daniel	G/DT	6'3	255	2010	Franklin, TN
72	Bernieri, Michael	C/DE	6'2	230	2010	Andover, MA
76	Kubacki, Robert	OT/DT	6'6	290	2009	Sammamish, WA
81	Paul, Kevin	WR/K	5'9	158	2010	Beaconsfield QC CAN

Coach: Leon Modeste
Assistant Head Coach: Lou Bernieri
Assistant Coaches: Raj Mundra, Chip Dunn, David Dugan, Steve Carter, Dick Collins'49
Managers: Alice Conant'09, Louise Ireland'09, Isabella Uria'10

Schedule and Record

Record: 6/2/0

DATE/TIME	OPPONENT	H/A	TYPE	SCORE
9/20 @ 3:00 PM	Loomis	H	Game	W 28-0
9/28 @ 1:00 PM	Tufts	A	Game	W 27-18
10/4 @ 6:00 PM	Choate	A	Game	L 29-33
10/11 @ 6:30 PM	Cushing	H	Game	W 41-7
10/18 @ 3:00 PM	N.M.H.	A	Game	W 28-7
10/25 @ 3:30 PM	Deerfield	H	Game	W 14-7
11/1 @ 6:00 PM	Worcester	A	Game	W 55-6
11/8 @ 2:30 PM	Exeter	H	Game	L 13-21

Highlights

NMH
10/18/2008

Andover worked hard on both sides of the ball to overcome a 7-0 deficit. The Blue did a nice job to bring to ground a very athletic and high flying NMH team. Offensively Andover was very efficient scoring 14 points in the 2nd and 4th quarters to win the game 28-7.

Deerfield
10/25/2008

Andover answered Deerfield's 4th quarter touchdown by putting together a 70 yd drive to break a 7-7 tie and win the game 14-7. The game was a well played and spirited game as both teams made big plays and played great defense. Next week The Big Blue travel to Assumption College to play Worcester Academy on Saturday night.

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Kevin Paul '10 leads a group of Andover players through a footwork drill in Wednesday's practice.

2008 Team Features Balanced Attack; Newfound Running Game Appears Promising

FOOTBALL

By Chris Cameron
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

After adding talented new players on both sides of the ball, the Andover football team hopes to make a third consecutive appearance in the NEPSAC Championship game.

After a 7-1 regular season last year, capped off with a 24-14 victory over rival Exeter, the 2007 team fell to Trinity-Pawling in the league championship.

Attaining this kind of success is hard work, and repeating it is even harder, but Captain Andrew Pohly '09 said that the team has been working hard in practice and is confident about the season.

"Everyone has high expectations for the team," said Pohly. "The team chemistry is great, and the new players are already meshing well with the returners."

Assistant Captain Anthony Morlani '09 is also poised to start the season. "This year's team is very talented and has great depth at every position."

Morlani continued, "Replacing a graduating class as talented as 2008 is never easy, but with the players that have been brought in and our talented returners, we are confident that this will be a successful season."

This year's offense will have a different look to it, as quarterback Dan Hussey '09 takes over at the helm. With his strong arm, he will have plenty of options to throw the ball to, such as returning receivers Morlani and Luke Duprey '10.

Hussey will be well protected with much of the offensive line returning.

The running game will feature additions Eddie Houghton '09 and Sam Auffant '09, and both will bring a great mix of speed and power to the ground attack.

According to Pohly, the new offense will have a more balanced attack than previous years.

The defense will be balanced as well, defending both the pass and run effectively.

The hard-hitting linebacker corps is lead by Sam Clark '09 and Louis Jacoubs '09 along with a defensive backfield that includes Joey Atiba '09.

With a defensive line led by Pohly that remains intact from last year, the team looks to be experienced in the trenches.

"The defense is looking strong, fast, and aggressive," stated Pohly.

All these new and returning players look to have a good season that could potentially bring the team to the NEPSAC title game again.

FOOTBALL

Defense Forces 5 Turnovers

Hussey Passes for 224 Yards in Win

By Chris Cameron
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	27
Tufts JV	18

Led by a balanced offense and the outstanding defensive play of Sam Clark '09, Andover Football defeated the Tufts University JV team, 27-18.

In the first quarter, Andover took it to the Tufts defense by scoring twice.

Andover first scored on a three-yard connection from Dan Hussey '09 to Luke Duprey '10.

An electrifying 74-yard run from Eddie Houghton '09 increased the Andover lead to 14. Kevin Paul '10 added extra points after the two scores.

Opening up the third quarter, Tufts scored a touchdown to make the score 14-6. Tufts then scored again to bring themselves back to within 2 points.

Andover answered right back, however, as Hussey threw his second touchdown on the day on a 43-yard pass to Sam Auffant '09.

After Paul converted the extra point, Andover took a 21-12 lead.

In the fourth quarter, Andover built up their lead once again.

The offense sustained a long drive down the field, as Houghton punched the ball in from the one yard line for his second touchdown of the

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game. Andover's lead stood at a commanding 27-12.

Tufts appeared to be on the verge of coming back when Sam Clark '09 intercepted a Tufts pass in the red zone to put the game away for good.

During the prior week of practice, Andover focused on getting its passing game in a rhythm. "This week we worked on letting Dan roll out more often and utilize his speed," said Coach Leon Modeste.

He continued, "He's very effective both running and passing when he gets out of the box and near the sideline."

A lot of extra work was put after practice as well. "We had a lot of days where us receivers and Dan would stay after practice just to work some more on routes and timing," said Duprey.

These changes to the passing game proved to be successful. Hussey threw for 224 yards and ran for over 50 yards, along with those two TD passes.

His receivers played very well, as Duprey and Auffant had 88 and 106 yards receiving respectively. The offensive line's protection was solid again this week.

The defense also played impressively at Tufts. Andover forced five turnovers, three on fumbles and two on interceptions.

These were decisive in the outcome of the game, as several Tufts drives were halted deep in Andover territory.

Sam Clark was the star on an Andover defense that held a college offense to only 18 points.

He amassed nine tackles, three of which came on sacks. He also had both a clutch interception that sealed the game and a fumble recovery. John McKenna '10 pitched in with five tackles, an interception and a fumble recovery.

"We blitzed a lot, especially from the LB positions, which put a lot of pressure on the quarterback," said Clark.

This week, Andover prepares for a very tough game at Choate. Andover won last year's game, a 11-8 thriller, and this season's match-up should be close as well.

With Choate coming off a loss to rival Exeter, they will be gunning for the undefeated Andover team

Football Suffers First Loss of Season, 33-29

By Chris Cameron
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Choate	33
Andover	29

This past Saturday, the Andover Football team made the trek down to Connecticut to face Choate in what is always a thrilling matchup.

Andover's efforts were not enough, however, as many costly mistakes led to a 33-29 loss.

For the third straight game Andover started strong, as it was first to score on a six-yard run by quarterback Dan Hussey '09.

Kevin Paul '10 tacked on the extra point. Andover held a 7-0 lead after the first quarter.

Andover padded its early lead with a 14-yard run by standout tailback Eddie Houghton '09.

The Andover squad looked strong for much of the first half, until Choate scored a touchdown on a quarterback sneak right before half time. This cut Andover's lead in two, as the team led 14-7 going into half time.

The second half of this game was another story. Choate scored again on a touchdown that came on a long 76-yard pass.

The opposition missed the extra point, however, so Andover held on to the lead by one point. Andover answered right back when Houghton rushed for his second touchdown of the game.

After sustaining a long drive, Houghton punched the ball into the end zone from the four-yard line. Andover converted the two point conversion to make the score 22-13.

Choate came roaring back with 13 unanswered points of its own to take its first lead of the game in the fourth quarter.

Andover took over with a few minutes left in the game to try and take back the lead. Sam Auffant '09 broke off with a long touchdown that put the team up, but it was called back on a holding call.

Luckily, Auffant had another long touchdown run, this one 33 yards, which would not be called back. This gave Andover a 29-26 lead with not much time left for Choate.

Despite the waning time, a Choate returner ran the ensuring kickoff for an 80-yard touchdown to give his team the lead for good.

The first loss of the year for the talented Andover team, this game was tough to swallow.

"We did not play like we're capable of. We got penalized, and had a lot of trouble tackling on defense," said Coach Leon Modeste. "We'll just have to put this game behind us."

Even in a loss like this, there were many positives that can be taken from the game.

The ground game was again a force for the Andover offense, as Houghton and Auffant ran for over 250 yards combined. Hussey was also effective and made good decisions on the field.

This Saturday night, Andover will play Cushing Academy at home.

"We're all excited to play in front of our home fans for the first time this year," said Captain Andrew Pohly '09. With Cushing coming off a win over Worcester Academy, it will be tough, but the game presents the perfect opportunity for Andover to redeem its loss.

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Sam Clark '09 powers over a Cushing defender in Andover's Saturday night victory over Cushing, 41-7.

Andover Football Bounces Back in 41-7 Victory; Brick-Wall Defense Denies Cushing Offense

By Chris Cameron
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	41
Cushing	7

Led by shutdown defense and an effective running game, Andover came out with a lopsided 41-7 victory against Cushing in Andover's first home game on Saturday.

After three straight weeks on the road, the team entered the game excited. "There was a lot of positive energy generated from the fans, and we were pleased for the great turn out," said Anthony Morlani '09.

Andover took an early lead, scoring on the first drive of the game. Sam Auffant '09 broke several tackles and scampered into the end zone for a 44-yard touchdown. Andover's defense forced a three and out, and once again, its running game took over. Eddie Houghton '09 took a handoff to the left side 25 yards into the end zone for the second Andover touchdown of the quarter. Auffant then intercepted a Cushing pass over the middle just before the end of the quarter to set up the offense at the 40-yard line. Kevin Paul '10 added both extra points, giving Andover a 14-0 lead.

In the second quarter, Andover turned the turnover into points, as Andover advanced the ball into the red zone for a first and goal situation. From the two yard line, Houghton pushed the pile for a short yardage touchdown. Andover led 21-0 after the Paul extra point.

The Andover defense continued to shut down the Cushing offense, and forced the opposition to punt numerous times. The Andover offense took these punts and continued to score at will. Auffant burned the Cushing defense around the right corner for his second touchdown of the game, and Hussey tossed a screen to the right to Sam Clark '09 for another touchdown. Andover entered the half with a commanding 35-0 lead.

Cushing started off the second half strong, with a long touchdown pass on its first

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Dynamic Running Game Leads Offense

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drive. But the Andover offense answered with a touchdown pass of its own. Several runs set up Andover at the Cushing 17-yard line. Hussey connected with Luke Duprey '10 on a corner route for the score, putting Andover up 41-7.

With the game under control, Andover gave some younger and less experienced players time on the field. Facing Cushing's first string, Sam Dodge '09, Charlie DiGiulian '10 and Ryan Gaiss '11 all made significant contributions to the running game in the fourth quarter. Malcolm Mason Rodriguez '11 was impressive filling in at cornerback.

Andover's defense was critical to the team's success. While amassing four sacks, the defense also put constant pressure on the quarterback and shutdown the running game all night.

"The athletes on the front line are so good at getting into the backfield. We are a very strong and fast defense," said Bobby Vardaro '10.

The running game also proved effective. Houghton once again topped 100 yards, with 199, and Auffant added 124 yards of his own. Credit for this kind of success can be attributed to the play of the offensive line. "Our offensive line was as unstoppable as we had predicted ourselves to be. We dominated the line of scrimmage," said Vardaro.

The fiery effort on both sides of the ball led Andover to a 41-7 blowout.

This week, Andover will be on the road to play 3-1 NMH, who will feature an explosive passing offense. "We will try to force NMH to run, which isn't their strength," said Coach Mo. Andover hopes to make it two wins in a row against a team it defeated last year 42-15.

Sam Auffant '09

Athlete of the Week

Auffant '09 helped PA trounce Cushing in the team's home opener on Saturday. Auffant's two rushing touchdowns were both electrifying runs. He also played impressively on the defensive side of the ball, coming up with an interception in the first half.

Q: *How has your Dad being a football coach influenced your football knowledge and the way you play the game?*

A: Growing up with someone who coached the game put me in the football environment a lot. This definitely helped because overall I had a better opportunity than most kids to get a lot of football knowledge.

Q: *What is the most evident difference between your old high school, Winnacunnet, and Andover in respect to football?*

A: Overall, they're both pretty similar in terms of football but probably the biggest difference is the speed of play. It's a lot faster in this league and it is definitely a good intermediate step between high school and college football for me.

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Q: *Why did you decide to PG at Andover?*

A: It was definitely the combination of football and academics that drew me to Andover. Coming to a great school like Andover will open up alleyways for me to hopefully attend top academic colleges. In terms of football, it is just very helpful for me to get another year of experience.

Q: *What are your plans to continue playing football in college?*

A: Right now I'm most likely going to be playing in either the NESCAC, the Ivy League, or for a Division I-AA school, such as Northeastern.

Q: *How did the team respond following the disheartening loss at Choate?*

A: The whole next week the team was very serious in practice. Everyone was really focused at practice, and we were all on the same page. We were all saying to ourselves that we are not going to lose again.

Q: *Do you tend to be more relaxed or anxious before games?*

A: I try to be as laid back as I can before a game. I just try to focus and relax in order to get in the right mindset. For the most part, all the guys on the team are pretty quiet and focused before games.

Q: *How does Eddie Houghton's '09 powerful running style complement your speedy rushing game?*

A: Eddie and I have both complemented each other greatly. Because we both have distinct running styles, the defense has to stay on their toes trying to guess which one of us is going to get the handoff. Eddie is a very powerful back with a lot of speed as well. His power certainly does help open up holes for me, where I like to get in the open field and use my speed.

Q: *Who is your favorite offensive lineman to run behind?*

A: To be honest, I love running behind all of them. They are all unbelievable blockers and Eddie and I would not have the success that we've been having without these guys. So truthfully I can't just pick one guy, because they're just so dominant together as a unit.

By Matt Gorski & Jim Ricker
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS EDITORS

Football Dominates NMH with 1-2 Punch of Houghton & Auffant

By Chris Cameron
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	28
NMH	7

Propelled by another great day from the running game and a strong defensive showing, Andover football improved their season record to 4-1 with a win over NMH 28-7.

The Andover offense was rendered ineffective in the first quarter after getting to NMH with only 45 minutes until kickoff. NMH surprisingly struck first on a rushing TD to take the first lead of the game 7-0.

Andover got back in the game when Eddie Houghton '09 broke through the defense for a 78-yard touchdown run. The extra point from Kevin Paul '10 tied the game at 7-7.

Before long, Andover scored on another big play. Quarterbck Dan Hussey '09 completed a pass over the middle to Luke Duprey '10, who outran the NMH defense for the 78-yard score. Paul added the extra point to put Andover up 14-7, a lead that they would maintain going into halftime.

The Andover offense broke out of their shell in the fourth quarter to score 14 points. Houghton scored his second touchdown of the game from 17 yards out to extend the lead to 14.

NMH then sustained a long drive that reached deep into Andover territory. John McKenna '10 stopped the drive when he made a crucial interception. Andover proceeded to march down the field with a mix of running and passing. The final points of the game came when Houghton drove through the defense to score his third touchdown of the game, giving Andover a commanding 28-7 lead.

In the week of practice leading up to the game, Andover focused on shutting down the strong NMH passing game. They executed this plan well as they managed to limit NMH to short dump passes and screens.

"We allowed NMH to throw short, as long as we could tackle their receivers after they got the ball, and we did that well," said Coach Leon Modeste.

The secondary covered the talented NMH receivers well, with lockdown coverage from McKenna and Joey Atiba '09. McKenna was assigned to cover NMH's best receiver, an All-New England prospect.

"John, who covered NMH's best wide receiver man-to-man all afternoon, rendered him a non-factor in the game as the receiver only amassed 10 yards the entire game," said Anthony Morlani '09. The tight coverage led to two interceptions by the Big Blue defense, with McKenna and Atiba having one each. The defense also had two fumble recoveries, as Morlani pounced on a loose ball deep in Andover territory. Reid Mosquera '09 recovered one as well.

The backbone of the defense was the outstanding play of the defensive line. The defensive line amassed seven sacks on the day, three from Mike Bernieri '10 and two by Mosquera. Captain Andrew Pohly '09 and Paul Spada '09 also contributed to the pressure on the NMH backfield.

"Combining the strength of tackles with the speed of our defensive ends, our front four are always a threatening force in the opposing backfield," said Mosquera.

The offense was fueled by another great day for Houghton, who ran for 208 yards and three touchdowns. Sam Auffant '09 added 81 yards rushing, as the Andover ground game was almost unstoppable. Hussey finished with 163 yards through the air, and Duprey had 123 yards receiving.

On Saturday, Andover's highly touted match-up will no doubt be an interesting one.

"Deerfield brings talent to every position," said Coach Modeste. He continued, "They will be the toughest opponent for us all year." Andover hopes to run their winning streak to three against Deerfield, who also defeated NMH. Kickoff is at 3:30 at Phelps Stadium.

Defense Forces Turnovers

Auffant '09 Makes Key Interception

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running from Houghton, and highlighted by a 34 yard pass from Hussey to Luke Duprey '10.

At the 14, Hussey rolled out the right and hit Sam Auffant '09 with a short pass. Auffant dodged a number of Deerfield defenders and ran in for the score to put Andover up by a touchdown with 3 minutes left in the game.

"The touchdown was largely Sam's effort. He has the ability to turn any play into points," said Hussey.

The Andover defense held the Deerfield offense to only 1 first down on the next possession. Deerfield came up just short on a fourth down measurement to secure the win for Andover.

"Our secondary should be commended for being dominant and disrupting Deerfield's passing game," said Morlani of the defense that came up with multiple crucial turnovers to end Deerfield drives.

The offense didn't get its usually astounding output on the ground, but both Houghton and Auffant fought for tough yards and had critical 4th down conversions. Hussey was efficient through the air, completing passes at crucial times, like the long completion to Duprey.

This week Andover will travel to face Worcester Academy to look for its third consecutive victory. Worcester Academy lost to an NMH team that Andover has already defeated earlier this year.

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Eddie Houghton '09 bursts through a hole created by Andover's offensive line in the team's 14-7 win on Saturday.

Andover Wins in Last-Minute Drive; Hussey '09 Rushes and Passes for Both TD's

By Chris Cameron
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	14
Deerfield	7

With under four minutes remaining in the game, Andover quarterback Dan Hussey '09 tossed a short pass to Sam Auffant '09, who dodged and dashed his way into the endzone to break a 7-7 tie and give Andover an exciting victory over Deerfield.

The football team was back at home for Parents' Weekend, and in front of a packed home crowd the defense dominated the pace of the game for both teams. After a quick three and out on Andover's first drive, Deerfield threatened to score early in the first quarter.

To thwart the threat, Anthony Morlani '09 intercepted a pass at the Andover 25 yard line. After three consecutive first down runs by Eddie Houghton '09, Deerfield finally forced a fourth down.

Andover decided to risk it on fourth down, however, and it turned out well, as Morlani made a diving catch to sustain the drive.

"With the work Anthony puts in every day it came as no surprise to me that he would come down with that ball," said Hussey.

Hussey then took the game into his own hands to give Andover the lead. With Deerfield defenders closing in on him, he scrambled around the left side for a 9 yard touchdown. Kevin Paul '10 added the extra point to give Andover the 7-0 lead in the 2nd quarter.

The next two quarters were all Andover, as the defense forced the Deerfield quarterback into making premature decisions and poor throws time and time again. Joey Atiba '09 intercepted an overthrown ball on Deerfield's next possession, Morlani picked off a deep throw for his second interception of the day, and Sam Clark '09 recovered a fumble in Andover territory.

The most influential Deerfield turnover came when Deerfield was threatening to score on Andover's goal line in the 2nd quarter. The Andover defensive line pressured the quarterback, and Auffant caught a key interception.

Andover's defense finally broke down, however, as many long runs brought Deerfield to the Andover goal line again. This time, Deerfield made sure to come away with some points. The opposition scored on fourth and inches to tie the game at seven with about eight minutes left in the game.

Starting at their own 22 yard line, the Andover offense then orchestrated a long drive to the Deerfield 14-yard line. The drive was led by tough

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Andover Football Holds Worcester To One Touchdown in 55-6 Victory

By Chris Cameron
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	**55**
Worcester	**6**

Led by a combined 240 rushing yards from the backfield duo of Eddie Houghton '09 and Sam Auffant '09, Andover cruised to a lopsided 55-6 victory over Worcester Academy. With a win in its final tune-up before the Exeter game, Andover improved its record to 6-1 on the season.

Andover came out of the gate firing on all cylinders, jumping out to an early lead.

Houghton put Andover on the scoreboard with an explosive 65-yard touchdown run. Andover then padded its lead with a 7-yard passing touchdown from Dan Hussey '09 to Lou Jacoubs '09.

Andover continued to pile it on in the second quarter, as the offensive line opened up holes for the rushing attack.

Hussey snuck into the end zone from the three-yard line, and Houghton pounded the ball in for a 4-yard run. Kevin Paul '10 kicked all 4 extra points and Andover took a comfortable 28-0 lead into halftime.

Andover's offense continued to score at will in the second half, as Auffant reeled off a 14 yard touchdown to give Andover a commanding 35-0 lead. With the game clearly in Andover's hands, the team substituted in some less experienced players. These players didn't stop the scoring parade, however, as Zach Boyd '10, Charlie DiGulian '10 and Sam Dodge '09 all added touchdowns to bring Andover's lead to 55-0.

Worcester scored once to break up the shutout, but Andover held on for a dominant 55-6 win. Houghton and Auffant dominated on the ground as usual, compiling over 240 yards. Overall, the team rushed for over 310 yards, allowing Andover to control the ball the whole game.

Much of this success can be attributed to the offensive line. "With Bobby Kubacki ['09] out, [Pat Maher '09] did a tremendous job filling in and maintaining the dominant level of play that we expect from the offensive line," said Captain Andrew Pohly '09.

In addition, the defense completely shut down the Worcester offense. "Our linebackers and defensive backs were outstanding in this game," said Coach Leon Modeste.

The linebackers made tackles all over the place, as Jacoubs and Sam Clark '09 had 11 and 9 tackles, respectively. Turnovers played a big role for the Andover defense again this week.

Asst. Captain Anthony Morlani '09 intercepted his third pass in two weeks. Clark and Auffant also added interceptions. Finally, Alex Gray '10, a substitute at cornerback, intercepted a Worcester pass in the fourth quarter.

This week, Andover is preparing for its most anticipated matchup all year: the Exeter game. Returning players who know the feeling of this rivalry game always look forward to this historical matchup.

"The Andover/Exeter rivalry is one of the reasons I came to this school. The energy around school is infectious, and I am honored to be a part of the tradition of the game," said Pohly.

New players are also excited to be playing in this game for the first time. "I'm definitely looking forward to walking out of that tunnel and taking to field because it's one of the greatest and oldest high school rivalries in the nation and I'm very excited to be playing in it," added Bobby Kubacki '09.

After 22 years of the rivalry, Coach Modeste knows the atmosphere of the game very well. "This is always the greatest game. The whole weekend is what sports are all about," he said. In order to come out with a win, Andover will have to match up with Exeter's great passing game.

"Exeter probably has the best quarterback we will face all season," said Coach Modeste. If Andover can pull out a win, the team will clinch a birth in the championship game for the fourth straight year.

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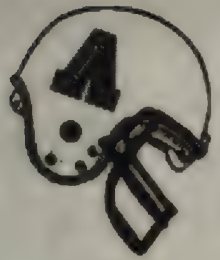

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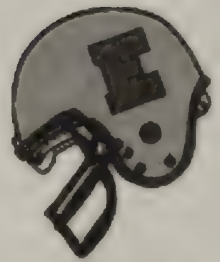
Team Report:
Andover's offense has been firing on all cylinders all season. Led by a terrific 1-2 punch at running back from Eddie Houghton '09 and Sam Auffant '09, the Andover offense has trounced teams all year. The passing game, primarily from quarterback Dan Hussey '09 to Luke Duprey '10, has been extraordinary as well. The defense is led by Captain Andrew Pohly '09, who has made key tackles time and time again. Pohly has also been part of the amazing offensive line that has been the cornerstone for the Andover offense.

Know Your Opponent:
Postgraduate Quarterback Patrick Donnelly leads an Exeter offense held below 20 points on only one occasion this season. Andover can expect Donnelly to look for WR Justin Ramos '09, perhaps Exeter's biggest target in the passing game. Exeter suffered back-to-back losses to Northfield Mount Hermon and Deerfield, two teams Andover beat, after starting out the season 4-0.



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Last Three Meetings: 2007: 24–14 (W)
2006: 43–14 (W)
2005: 24–8 (W)

EXETER THWARTS ANDOVER, 21-13

PA's Streak Ends Along With Playoff Hopes

Five Turnovers Prove Too Costly in 128th Matchup

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Luke Duprey '10 eludes a diving tackle from an Exeter cornerback. Duprey was the go-to receiver throughout the game.

By Chris Cameron
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

With a fourth straight championship game berth on the line, Andover couldn't overcome five turnovers on offense, falling 21-13 to Exeter.

With the heartbreaking loss, Andover finished its season at 6-2.

Fans in blue and red packed Phelps Stadium for the 128th edition of the Andover-Exeter rivalry game. Andover came into the match-up with momentum, having won four straight after an early season loss to Choate.

Both teams started the game sluggishly on offense, as the two teams punted back and forth for the entire first quarter. Andover's offense finally found a rhythm on its first drive of the second quarter. Backed up on its own 20-yard line, the offense moved swiftly down the field. Quarterback Dan Hussey '09 hit an open Luke Duprey '10 for a 43-yard completion that brought Andover deep into Exeter territory. Exeter then forced a fourth down, but Sam Auffant '09 brought down a six-yard Hussey pass on the right side for the game's first touchdown. Kevin Paul '10 added the extra point to put Andover up 7-0.

Exeter came roaring back, however, with 14 unanswered points. The first of these scores came after Andover fumbled at its own 21-yardline. This set up a short field for the Exeter offense. Almost instantly, Exeter put points on the board with a 19-yard touchdown pass to tie the game at seven. The next time Exeter got the ball, they started at their own 22-yardline. A long drive with a mix of runs and passes brought the offense to Andover's goal line, and Exeter scored on a 5-yard pass to go up 14-7 at the halftime break.

The first time Andover had the ball in the 2nd half, the offense turned the ball over with another fumble in its own territory. Luckily, Asst. Captain Anthony Morlani '09 intercepted his fourth pass in three weeks to thwart the threat. The Andover offense took advantage of the turnover as Auffant broke some tackles and beat the Exeter defense around the outside for a 15-yard touchdown. Andover went for the two-point conversion and missed, leaving the score at 14-13 in favor of Exeter.

Andover looked to have the momentum in its favor, but each time the offense had the ball, a costly turnover prevented Andover from scoring. Exeter turned a fumble recovery into points to pad its lead to 21-13.

On its final drive, Andover marched down the field with some tough running and conservative passes. The scoring threat was ended, however, when Exeter intercepted a pass in the end zone to seal the victory for the Big Red.

The five turnovers proved to be costly in the loss. "You can't turn the ball over five times and expect to win," said

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Coach Leon Modeste. Interestingly, the last time Andover lost to Exeter, the offense had five turnovers as well.

This loss brings an abrupt end to Andover's football season. Reflecting upon the season, Coach Modeste took many positives away from 2008. He said, "We had a lot of team unity this year, and our fantastic captains brought the team together at the beginning of the season."

These captains did a great job this year, leading the team to a 6-2 record. Both Morlani and Captain Andrew Pohly '09 are very appreciative of their time in Andover's football program. "To know that I have been a part of the incredible tradition of Phillips Academy Football is remarkable and I am lucky to have been a part of this fraternity," said Pohly.

"I've had many memorable moments on and off the field that I will never forget, and I'd like to thank Coach Mo and the entire staff for giving me that opportunity," said Morlani.

Even with a very talented graduating class leaving, the Andover football program looks primed for another great year next season. The class of 2010 boasts players such as Bobby Vardaro '10, Zach Boyd '10, Luke Duprey '10 and John McKenna '10, so 2009 could be an equally successful season.

Sport: Boys Soccer

Year: 2008

Captains: Matt Gorski, Brian Russell

Coach: Steve Carr

Assistant Coach: Andrew **Housiaux**

Season Record

Won 12 Lost 2 Tied 4

Reached NE Quarterfinals

Letterwinners

Bach-Lombardo, Jordan
Choi, Alexander
DiFronzo, Michael
Gorski, Matthew
Gulick-Stutz, Trevor
Hamilton, Ruaridh
Hathaway, John
Hirshberg, Ethan
Lee-Kramer, Peter
Macquarrie, Spencer
Maqubela, Tebogo
Potter, Chase
Rohwer, Jakob
Russell, Brian
Skaggs, Adam
Thompson-Butler, Robert
Woonton, Andrew
Woonton, Brian

Phillips Academy
Boys' Soccer
Varsity - 2008

No	Name	Pos	Yr	Hometown
G	Macquarrie, Spencer		2010	North Hampton, NH
2	DiFronzo, Michael		2011	North Reading, MA
3	Choi, Alexander		2009	Boston, MA
6	Lee-Kramer, Peter		2011	Princeton, NJ
7	Potter, Chase		2009	Toronto ONT,CAN
8	Bach-Lombardo, Jordan		2009	Thetford, VT
9	Hathaway, John		2010	Kennebunkport, ME
10	Gorski, Matthew		2009	Tampa, FL
11	Hirshberg, Ethan		2009	Concord, NH
13	Rohwer, Jakob		2011	Southborough, MA
14	Thompson-Butler, Robert		2009	Oklahoma City, OK
16	Woonton, Brian		2011	Boxford, MA
17	Maqubela, Tebogo		2011	Andover, MA
18	Russell, Brian		2009	Andover, MA
21	Woonton, Andrew		2011	Boxford, MA
23	Gulick-Stutz, Trevor		2009	Lake Oswego, OR
24	Hamilton, Ruaridh		2009	Aberdeen,SCO
28	Skaggs, Adam		2009	Framingham, MA

Coach: Stephen Carr
Assistant Coach: Andrew Housiaux

Manager: Alysha Sayall'09, Margaret Law'10

Schedule and Record

Record: 12/2/4

DATE/TIME	OPPONENT	H/A	TYPE	SCORE
9/10 @ 3:15 PM	Noble & Greenough	A	Scrimmage	
9/13 @ 2:45 PM	St. Paul's	H	Game	W 2-0
9/17 @ 3:00 PM	Brooks	H	Game	W 4-1
9/20 @ 2:15 PM	Loomis	A	Game	L 1-3
9/22 @ 3:45 PM	St. John's Prep	H	Game	T 0-0
9/24 @ 3:30 PM	Holderness	H	Game	W 5-0
9/27 @ 3:15 PM	Tabor	H	Game	W 8-0
10/1 @ 3:30 PM	Taft	A	Game	W 3-1
10/4 @ 4:45 PM	Choate	A	Game	W 3-1
10/8 @ 2:45 PM	Winchendon	A	Game	T 1-1
10/11 @ 2:00 PM	Tilton	A	Game	W 1-0
10/18 @ 3:00 PM	N.M.H.	A	Game	W 3-1
10/22 @ 3:30 PM	Cushing	H	Game	W 3-0
10/25 @ 3:15 PM	Deerfield	H	Game	W 2-0
10/29 @ 3:15 PM	Worcester	A	Game	T 0-0
11/1 @ 6:00 PM	K.U.A.	H	Game	T 0-0
11/5 @ 2:45 PM	New Hampton	A	Game	W 2-1
11/8 @ 1:00 PM	Exeter	H	Game	W 3-0
11/12 @ 2:00 PM	Avon Old Farms School	A	Tournament	L 1-1 (3-4 pk)

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Garnet Hathaway '10 looks to keep up his offensive production in the upcoming season.

BOYS SOCCER

Combination of Seniors and Lowers Leads Explosive Andover Attack

By Matt Higgins
PHILLIPIAN **SPORTS WRITER**

Andover Boys Varsity Soccer concluded last year's season with a very emotional and dominating 4-2 victory over arch-rival Exeter. However, the team's postseason dreams fell short when St. Paul's took the eighth and final playoff spot, with Andover falling just outside the playoff draw as the ninth seed.

This year's team is deep with talent and experience and will look to ride the momentum from last year's season finale and make a run at the New England tournament.

The most significant loss from last year's team will be forward Zach Dixon '08. Dixon was the heart of the team as well as its most dangerous offensive threat.

Garnet Hathaway '10 will look the fill the void left by Dixon. Hathaway was one of the team's most dangerous offensive players last year and will have an even bigger role this year. Joining Hathaway up top will be post-graduate Ethan Hirschberg '09.

Andover's midfield looks very strong with four returning Seniors. Captain Matt Gorski '09 will lead the Andover midfield this year. Gorski's passing was very important to the Andover attack last year. Playing alongside Gorski in the center-midfield will be Mike DiFronzo '11. Also returning in the Andover midfield are Trevor Gulick-Stutz '09, Chase Potter '09 and Alex Choi '09.

Defensively, Andover appears strong with two returning Seniors. The Andover defense will be lead by Captain Brian Russell '09. Russell's quality services will be key in jump-starting Andover attacks. Also returning to the Andover defense is William Thompson-Butler '09. Thompson-Butler's physicality will be a much needed presence in the Andover back four.

The team will also be without last year's starting goalkeeper, John Gardner '08. Filling in for Gardner will be last year's backup goalkeeper Mitch Everts '10 and newcomer Spencer Macquarrie '10. These two goalies will backup a unit that earned six clean sheets last season.

Andover will also receive plenty of new, young talent this year from last year's JV program. Last year's JV1 soccer team had an exceptional year and finished undefeated. Several members of that team should be valuable members of the Andover varsity squad.

Andover sustained some significant losses from last year's team. Despite this, there is plenty of talent, experience and senior leadership returning. If the team can play well together, Andover should have yet another year of being one of the most dangerous teams in New England.

Andover's final preseason tune-up came on Wednesday when the team traveled to Nobles in a final scrimmage before the season. Andover came home with the 3-2 win.

Momentum from 8-0 Win Carries Over as Andover Tops Taft, 3-1

By Matt Higgins
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	8
Tabor	0

Andover	3
Taft	1

Led by two goals by Garnet Hathaway '10, Andover completely dominated Tabor, winning 8-0.

Andover struck right after the opening whistle. In the sixth minute, Andover sent a cross into the 18-yard box from the left side. Hathaway headed the ball past the Tabor goalkeeper and into the upper left corner, giving Andover a 1-0 lead.

Andover would quickly extend its lead. Just eight minutes later, Mike DiFronzo '11 sent a through ball to Ethan Hirshberg '09. Hirshberg beat the goalkeeper and finished the goal on the ground, giving Andover a 2-0 lead.

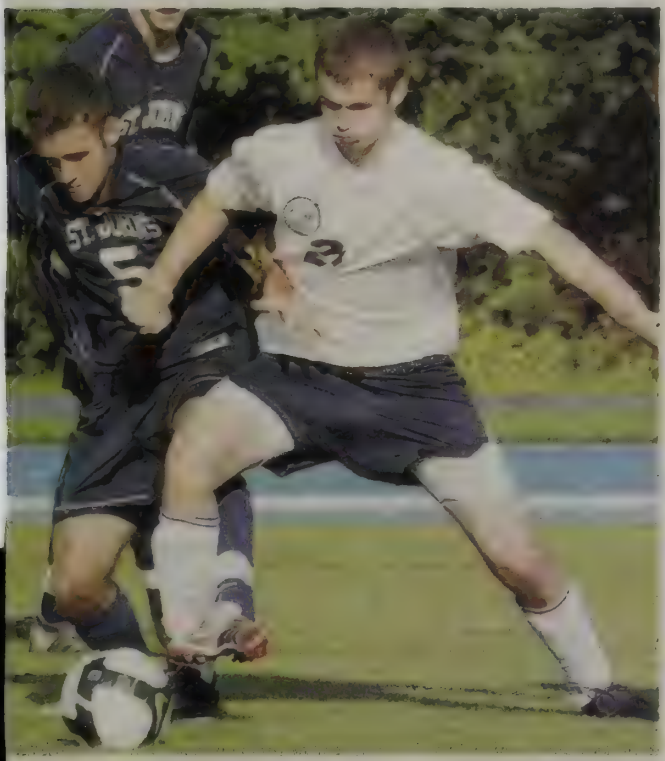
Andover threatened to score again in the 20th minute. After some good ball movement in the midfield, Hirshberg fired a strong shot, but was unable to convert. Tabor followed with a good chance minutes later. From 40 yards out, a Tabor player beat goalkeeper Spencer Macquarrie '10 but hit the upper left post.

Andover responded by extending its lead. Adam Skaggs '09 sent a cross from the right side. Andrew Woonton '11 headed the cross and beat the goalkeeper, giving Andover a 3-0 lead.

Andover was not finished, however. On a corner, Captain Matt Gorski '09 received a rebound and fired it past the goalkeeper to give Andover a 4-0 lead heading into halftime.

Andover continued to dominate into second half. Right after a good chance for an Andover cross, Hirshberg sent a through ball to Hathaway. Hathaway beat the goalkeeper and finished on the ground, giving Andover a 5-0 lead.

The Andover offense was not finished however. Andover



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Ruaridh Hamilton '09 battles for a loose ball vs. St. Johns.

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earned a corner and Trevor Gulick-Stutz '09 sent the ball into the 18-yard box. Ruaridh Hamilton '09 headed the ball and beat the goalkeeper, extending the Andover lead further to 6-0.

Andover continued to apply pressure to the Tabor defense. Peter Lee-Kramer '11 scored a goal with a shot off the crossbar and in. Tebs Maqubela '11 finished the Andover scoring with a goal of his own.

Wednesday, Andover weathered a long bus ride and a 20-minute rain delay to defeat a strong Taft team.

Andover scored immediately in the first half with a goal from Gulick-Stutz. However, Taft tied the game soon after. Neither team was able to penetrate the opposing defense, and the game headed into halftime as a 1-1 draw.

However, Andover took over the game in the second half. Andover's DiFronzo and Gorski scored two quick goals at the start of the second half to change the tide of the game and give Andover the momentum and the lead.

Gorski scored after Captain Brian Russell '09 whipped in a curling ball towards Gorski. The goalie bobbled the ball and Gorski poked the ball past the keeper. Russell had his second assist of the game when he found DiFronzo just moments later off of a corner kick. DiFronzo, who was brilliant all day, buried the header.

The two-goal cushion was more than enough for the strong Andover defense, which once again shut down the opposing offense and insured the win. Andover went on to win 3-1.

After a two-win week, Andover is now 5-1-1 on the season. The team has a three-game winning streak after its loss at Loomis. Andover's success has been due in large part to its strong defense. Andover has let up just five goals this season in seven games.

Saturday, Andover will travel to Choate for a tough away game.

PA Ties Talented Winchendon; Improves Season Record to 6-1-1

By Matt Higgins
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover continued its winning ways this week with a win and a draw, both on the road. This week the team also began its first stretch of away games this season.

Saturday, the Andover Boy's Soccer team weathered a tough Choate team in a strong 3-1 win.

Andover came into Choate rolling in all facets of its game.

Coming into the game with a three game winning streak powered by all parts of the team's game, Andover beat Choate on both sides of the field.

The Andover offense overwhelmed the Choate defense in the three goal effort, and the Andover defense, led by Spencer Macquarrie '10, continued its strong play in conceding just one goal.

Macquarrie has allowed more than one goal in just one of the team's eight games on the season.

Wednesday, Adam Skaggs '09 scored the lone Andover goal in a 1-1 draw against a very talented Winchendon soccer team.

The game started off very physical, and the rough play continued throughout the game.

Winchendon attacked very hard early in the game. Said Macquarrie, "We were giving them too much respect in the midfield."

With good strikers up front, the Winchendon offense put a lot of pressure on the Andover defense.

Andover opened the game slowly and played conservatively.

The defense was beginning to bend with all the pressure from the Winchendon offense.

However, Andover was still able to strike first. In the first half, Skaggs received a pass and made a run down the side of the field.

Skaggs found room to shoot and fired a shot on net. The shot found the opposite side netting first the first goal of the game.

However, Winchendon was able to score the equalizer. Winchendon fired a cross into the 18-yard box.

Macquarrie punched the ball away from the net, but the ball deflected off of a Winchendon player and

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Hathaway '10 Nets Two to Lift Andover Past Choate in 3-1 Win

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slipped into the net to tie the game at 1-1.

In the second half, both teams battled hard, but neither was able to find the go-ahead goal.

There were a lot of good chances for both sides, but neither was able to capitalize. The game ended in a 1-1 draw.

At the halfway point in the season, Andover has looked very strong. With a record of 6-1-2, Andover is a contender for a spot in the New England tournament.

Andover has looked strong all year on both sides of the ball. The Andover defense has been consistent all year with three clean sheets and five games with only one goal allowed.

The Andover offense has also looked very strong. Since Andover's lone loss this season, the Andover offense has scored twenty goals in just six games.

With all parts of the team gelling so far this year, Andover looks to be a team that could be very strong in the second half of the season.

On Saturday, Andover will once again be on the road at Tilton.

Tilton is undefeated this season with an overall record of 7-0-2. Based upon the two team's results against common opponents, next week's game should be a tight match-up. Both Andover and Tilton tied Winchendon and recorded easy wins against Holderness.

Saturday's showdown will be a very tough test for Andover to kick off the second half of the season.

Boys Soccer Escapes with 1-0 Win; Stifling Defense from PA Back Four

By Matt Higgins
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	**1**
Tilton	**0**

Saturday, Garnet Hathaway '10 scored the lone goal in a tight 1-0 win over Tilton.

Tilton came into the game undefeated and proved to be a tough test for Andover. They were very dangerous on the counter-attack with a very fast forward up front. Its defense was also very well organized and tough for Andover to find seems to exploit.

Said Coach Carr, "We thought we could possess the ball and attack the flanks. But we also knew that defensively we would have to stay home a bit and defend against the quick counter by retreating and working back defensively to keep them in front of us.

We were relatively successful doing both those things and the back line played especially well."

The game started out at a slow pace as both teams tried to feel each other out and look for weaknesses.

Eventually Andover began to take control of the pace of the game and receive some chances.

Andover did well switching from side-to-side and crossing into the box, but the Tilton goalkeeper played well and kept Andover off of the board. Despite numerous chances for Andover, the game headed into halftime 0-0.

Andover continued to control the pace of the game in the second half but was still unable to score. About halfway through the second half, an Andover corner led to a counter-attack for Tilton.

A Tilton player received a pass with a one-on-one with goalkeeper Spencer Macquarrie '10. Macquarrie came out and made the save, but the attacker's follow through resulted in his knee hitting Macquarrie's eye, knocking him out of the game and leaving Andover without a goalkeeper.

Captain Brian Russell '09 took over for the remainder of the game in an unfamiliar position. Russell stepped in and was aggressive and confident in cutting out passes in his box. He played the final 30 minutes of the game, preserving the shut-out.

Following Macquarrie's injury, Andover finally broke the tie. Adam Skaggs '09 received the ball and took a good run down the right flank.

He then placed a pass behind the Tilton line to Trevor Gulick-Stutz '09 who beat a defender wide and took a touch towards goal.

Gulick-Stutz then lifted a cross towards the center of the goal. Hathaway out-jumped the Tilton defender and headed the ball low to the far post to give Andover the 1-0 lead.

The Andover defense was able to hold on to win the game 1-0.

Next week, Andover will once again travel, this time to take on NMH.

Though NMH comes into the game with a 2-5-0 record, they have a talented midfield and some very good athletes. Andover will look to counter with its own strong midfield unit of Mike DiFronzo '11, Andrew Woonton '11, Chase Potter '09, Skaggs and Captain Matt Gorski '09.

Once again, Andover's defense will look to do its part to contribute to another Andover win.

Said Carr, "Defensively we have been lead by our back line all year and as long as we are communicating and playing on our front studs, we will continue to be a tough team to score against."

Going forward, Andover will look to continue its very strong team play. Carr continued, "With the strong senior leadership we have, every player seems committed to the cause." This will have to continue for Andover to continue its strong play.

M. DISCENZA/ *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Mike DiFronzo '11 winds up for a big boot to finish off Cushing Academy in a 3-0 Andover win.

Andover Soccer Cruises to Another 2-0 Week; Mike DiFronzo '11 Nets Goal in Both Games

By Matt Higgins
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	3
NMH	1
Andover	3
Cushing	0

Saturday, Garnet Hathaway '10 scored two goals, leading the Andover Boys Soccer team to a 3-1 victory at NMH.

Andover took the lead early in the game. Hathaway scored the first of his two goals early in the game to give Andover the important 1-0 lead. Despite the lead, NMH took control of the pace of the game in the first half. However, the Andover defense held strong and prevented NMH from tying the game.

Andover regained the momentum by scoring again. Off a corner kick, Mike DiFronzo '11 headed the ball past the goal to give Andover a 2-0 lead. However, late in the game, NMH responded with a goal to close the gap to 2-1.

Moments later, Andover put the game out of reach with another goal. An Andover cross found Hathaway inside the 18-yard box. Hathaway headed the ball past the NMH goalkeeper to score. Andover closed out the game, winning 3-1.

Wednesday, goalkeeper Spencer Macquarrie '10 led the Andover defense to a shutout victory, as Andover beat Cushing 3-0.

The first half of the game was physical, with both teams trying to open up space for scoringopportunities. Andover broke through with a good opportunity with 16 minutes left in the half. Tebs Maqubela '11 earned a free kick about 30 yards from goal. Captain Matt Gorski '09 took the kick, sending the ball into the 18-yard box. Hathaway came through and headed the ball on net, but the Cushing goalkeeper made an easy save to keep the game even.

With 13 minutes left in the half, Brian Woonton '11 sent a through ball to Hathaway on the wing. Hathaway cut into the 18-yard box and chipped a shot for the upper right corner. The ball sailed just wide, and the game remained deadlocked.

Andover earned another free kick in the midfield near the end of the first half. Andrew Woonton '11 received a pass off of the kick in good position, but hit the side netting. While the Andover offense received quality scoring chances, the Andover defense held Cushing to perimeter shots. The half ended with the game level at 0-0.

Andover finally broke through in the second half. Early in the second half, Hathaway received a through ball after A. Woonton and Gorski combined to slip Hatha-

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Gulick-Stutz '09 Heads in Goal Off Set Piece to Put Cushing Away

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way in at the top of the 18-yard box. He beat a defender, and then chipped the ball over the Cushing goalkeeper and just under the crossbar to give the team a 1-0 lead.

About five minutes later, Hathaway went up for a ball, but was elbowed in the face to earn a yellow card and a free kick in the midfield. Gorski sent a ball into the 18-yard box and found Trevor Gulick-Stutz '09 in front of the net for a header. Gulick-Stutz placed the header in the lower left corner to extend the Andover lead to 2-0.

Soon after, DiFronzo received a pass at the top of the 18-yard box off a great play from Hathaway and Gulick-Stutz. He then fired a shot low to the left corner to put the game out of reach at 3-0. Andover kept the pressure on, receiving several more scoring opportunities and dominating the pace of the game. Andover went on to win 3-0.

With a two-win week, Andover has extended its win streak to three games and is 9-1-1 on the season.

M. DISCENZA, *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Brian Russell '09 and Garnet Hathaway '10 help lead Andover to wins over Cushing and NMH.

Boys Soccer Edges Physical Deerfield Squad by One Goal; Andover Looks to Continue Playoff Push in Final Stretch

By Matt Higgins
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	2
Deerfield	1

Andover	0
Worcester	0

This week, the Andover Boys Soccer team continued to march closer to a spot in the New England Prep School Soccer tournament with a win and a tie against two good opponents.

Saturday, Garnet Hathaway '10 scored two goals and propelled the team to a 2-1 win against rival Deerfield on parent's weekend.

Both teams started the game by feeling each other out and looking for an opening to break the tie. The Andover defense cracked first. A Deerfield attacker on the right flank sent a cross into the 18-yard box towards the Andover far post. It found a Deerfield player who corralled the cross and fired it to the near post, giving Deerfield the early 1-0 lead.

However, Andover would quickly regroup and come back with a goal of its own. In the 24th minute, Hathaway received a ball in the Deerfield 18-yard box. Hathaway was fouled by a Deerfield defender, earning a penalty kick. Hathaway buried the penalty kick into the bottom right corner to put Andover on the scoreboard and tie the game at 1-1.

Both defenses stepped up for the remainder of the half, and the game headed into halftime tied at 1-1.

The second half was very competitive, with the momentum swinging back-and-forth between the two teams during the entire half. Both teams had very good scoring opportunities, but for the early part of the half neither team was able to capitalize. The game was also very physical, with both teams looking for an advantage to create a scoring chance and break the tie.

Andover finally came through in the 78th minute. Andover possessed the ball in the Deerfield end and earned a corner. Trevor Gulick-Stutz '09 took the corner and sent a high ball into the 18-yard box. The ball found Chase Potter '09 for a header that beat the Deerfield goalie but hit the crossbar. Hathaway then pounced on the rebound and headed it past the Deerfield goalkeeper and just under the crossbar for the go-ahead goal.

The Andover defense held strong in the last ten minutes, and the game ended with an important 2-1 win for Andover, its fourth straight win.

Wednesday, facing very difficult playing conditions on the road, Andover managed only a draw against a tough Worcester Academy team.

Worcester was one of the toughest teams on the Andover schedule, and they headed into the game with a 10-2-1 record. The weather dictated the pace of play throughout the game, as the field conditions were very bad and made play very difficult.

In the first half, Andover was going against a strong wind, giving the advantage to Worcester. Worcester dominated the possession in the first half. They also received numerous chances in the Andover 18-yard box. However, they were unable to convert and the game headed into halftime deadlocked at zero.

Andover played better and received more chances in the second half. Worcester, though, received more chances in the Andover 18-yard box, especially off of crosses and throw-ins. However, the Andover defense and goalkeeper Spencer Macquarrie '10 kept Worcester from scoring, and the game ended in a 0-0 draw.

With a win and a draw, Andover's record is now at 10-1-2. Saturday, Andover will face a very tough test, as it hosts K.U.A. at 6:00pm under the lights at Phelp's Stadium. K.U.A. comes into the game with only one loss on the season.

Y. WATANABE/ THE PHILLIPIAN

Captain Brian Russell '09 holds off a Deerfield striker in Andover's 2-1 victory.

S.SHEU/ THE PHILLIPIAN

Andrew Woonton '11 shields off a K.U.A. defender in Andover's 0-0 tie under the lights.

After Scoreless Tie Against K.U.A., PA Responds with Crucial 2-1 Win

By Matt Higgins
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	0
K.U.A.	0

Andover	2
New Hampton	1

Last Saturday, Andover was unable to break through the K.U.A. defense, tying 0-0 under the lights at Phelps Stadium.

The first half began with both teams feeling each other out, looking for holes to create a scoring chance. However, both teams were unable to do much more than maintain possession in the midfield.

Andover began to control the pace of the game as the first half continued. The team was able to get balls into the 18-yard box from the flanks for scoring opportunities. Alex Choi '09 received the first quality scoring chance of the game off of an Adam Skaggs '09 throw in. Skaggs' massive throw in reached the far post, where Choi headed the ball just over the bar.

Andover nearly took the lead about halfway through the half. Captain Matt Gorski '09 slipped a through ball to Garnet Hathaway '10, who beat the goalie, but a K.U.A. defender barely cleared it off the goal line to eliminate the threat and keep Andover scoreless.

Both sides settled in for the remainder of the first half. Andover controlled the possession and pace of the game but was unable to find holes in the K.U.A. defense and play balls behind the defense. The game headed into halftime tied at 0-0.

The second half was much of the same, with neither team finding quality scoring chances. Andover continued to dominate possession in the midfield and the sides but was unable to find seams in the de-

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fense for scoring opportunities.

Said Coach Carr, "They were just very well organized and very solid. They allowed us to keep the ball but they got numbers back defensively."

Andover did manage to find opportunities off of corners, earning five during the game, and crosses. However, the K.U.A. goalkeeper controlled the area well and kept Andover from earning any quality chances. On the other side of the field, K.U.A. found some chances from crosses as well, but was unable to finish a ball and take the lead.

K.U.A. got the best chance of the game with about 10 minutes remaining. An Andover foul gave K.U.A. a free kick from about 30 yards out near the center of the field. The K.U.A. player fired a strong shot bending towards the upper left corner. Andover goalkeeper Spencer Macquarrie '10 dove for it and punched it over the crossbar to make a highlight reel save and preserve the shutout for Andover.

Andover made a final bid for a win in stoppage time when Trevor Gulick-Stutz '09 received a chance in front of the net, causing a loose ball in the 18-yard box. The game was controversially whistled over however, and the game ended in a 0-0 draw.

Wednesday, Andover inched closer to a spot in the New England Tournament, beating New Hampton on the road, 2-1.

After falling behind 1-0 early on in the game, Andover battled back to score two first half goals.

The first goal was created when Hathaway took a great shot. Recently returned from injury Ethan Hirshberg '09 pounced on the rebound and buried a goal in his first game back with the team.

Later on in the half, it was Hathaway who again created the Andover attack. After receiving a brilliant through ball from Captain Brian Russell '09, Hathaway looked up and found Andrew Woonton '11 at the top of the six who one-touched Hathaway's pass into the back of the net, giving Andover a lead they would not lose for the rest of the afternoon.

The second half was all Andover. Andover had possession basically the entire half, with several scoring chances that were just barely missed. Although Andover was happy with the win, the team was not satisfied with the fact that they could not put New Hampton away earlier in the game.

Outside midfielder Brian Woonton '11 was great for Andover. His ability to slow the ball down and find players' feet was extremely important for Andover. The team possessed around New Hampton, using its skill to keep the ball the majority of the game.

Throughout the day, Andover had to deal with two very talented players from New Hampton. New Hampton's striker was extremely fast, and the Andover defense had trouble marking him in the opening stages of the match.

However, the back four led by Ruaridh Hamilton '09 shut down the speedy striker for the rest of the match after his opening goal.

New Hampton's best player was a difficult match-up for Andover. He didn't play a specific position, as he was free to wander and get the ball wherever he wanted.

Andover therefore was forced to have great communication to always keep track of him.

Gorski and Mike DiFronzo '11 tracked him for the majority of the game, with DiFronzo doing an especially great job shutting him down.

Towards the waning moments of the game, Andover assigned Chase Potter '09 to man mark this player. Potter did a phenomenal job closing out the game for Andover marking New Hampton's dangerous player.

With a win and a tie this week, Andover is now 11-1-3 on the season.

Next week, Andover will host archrival Exeter at 1:00 on Smoyer field. Exeter is a very strong team and will be a very tough test for Andover. To add even more to the intensity of the game, both teams are fighting for postseason berths.

Also, the Dunbar Cup, a league between Deerfield, NMH, Exeter, and Andover will be decided on Saturday.

Both Andover and Exeter are 2-0 against Deerfield and NMH, so both teams sit atop the league. The winner of this game will take home the cup.

Boys Soccer:

Last Three Meetings: 2007: 4–2 (W)
2006: 1–1(T)
2005: 1–2 (L)

Andover is on pace for one of its best seasons in the past five years. Led by leading goal scorer Garnet Hathaway '10, Andover has been a powerhouse in New England all season. The defense, led by Captain Brian Russell '09 and Ruaridh Hamilton '09, has helped goalkeeper Spencer Macquarrie '10 in allowing just 10 goals all season. Andover has a very talented team with a mix of six outstanding Lowers to go alongside the 10 Seniors on the team.

Know Your Opponent:
After losing consecutive games to St. Paul's, Holderness and Winchendon in September, Exeter has won 10 out of its last 12 games. Exeter's leading scorer Eric Slingerland '10 has mono and is doubtful for the game this Saturday, a loss that would definitely slow down the Exeter attack. Exeter also features another explosive Brazilian midfielder in Igor Carvalho '09.

Y. WATANABE/ *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Ethan Hirshberg '09 blows by an Exeter defender in Saturday's match.

BOYS SOCCER

Win Over Exeter Propels Andover to Third-Ranked Seed in Playoffs

By Matt Higgins
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	3
Exeter	0
Avon Old Farms	1
Andover	1

This past Saturday, Spencer Macquarrie '10 and the Andover defense shut out archrival Exeter, as Andover rolled to a 3-0 victory.

Andover was able to apply pressure the entire first half. Possession went back and forth in the early part of the game with both sides looking for good opportunities. At the five-minute mark, Andover received its first quality chance of the game when Mike DiFronzo '11 fired a shot from 20 yards out towards the bottom left corner. The Exeter goalie punched the ball out, keeping the game even.

Exeter received a strong chance of its own at the 10-minute mark. An Exeter player received a good ball inside the 18-yard box. He fired a shot, but missed wide.

Andover broke the tie around halfway through the first half. An Exeter foul led to an Andover free kick in the midfield. Andover played a high ball into Exeter's 18-yard box. There was a scrum in front of the net, but neither side was able to put a head on the ball, and the ball rolled loose in front of the net. Andover's Garnet Hathaway '10 found the rebound and banged it in to break the tie and give Andover a 1-0 lead.

Andover struck again at the end of the half. Ethan Hirshberg '09 chipped the ball over an Exeter defender and into the Exeter 18-yard box. DiFronzo picked up the loose ball for a breakaway and fired it into the bottom left corner of the net, giving Andover a 2-0 lead. The Andover defense would hold the lead going into halftime.

Andover dominated the second half, controlling possession and keeping Exeter

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PA Falls 4-3 in PK's vs. Avon Old Farms

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from receiving any shots on net. Andover added another goal to put the game out of reach when a cross from Trevor Gulick-Stutz '09 deflected off of an Exeter player and into the net for an own goal, giving Andover the decisive 3-0 lead.

With the win against Exeter, Andover finished the regular season with an overall record of 12-1-4. Andover also reached the New England Prep School soccer tournament ranked as the third-seeded team.

Wednesday, Andover concluded with a very difficult loss to sixth ranked Avon in penalty kicks during the first round of the New England Prep School soccer tournament.

Andover started off the game by taking control of the pace and gaining momentum, but was unable to convert on any of its chances. Despite Andover's controlling the game, Avon struck first off of a free kick in the 20th minute. The Avon player lofted a ball into the 18-yard box and found an Avon midfielder for a header goal, giving the team a 1-0 lead. Andover controlled the game heading into the half, but was still unable to find the back of the net.

Andover continued to apply pressure to the Avon defense and finally tied the game in the second half. Andrew Woonton '11 gave a pass to Hathaway, who fired a shot to the back post to tie the game at 1-1. Woonton received a good scoring chance of his own later in the half when he beat two Avon defenders and fired a shot from outside the 18-yard box, but the Avon goalkeeper barely made the save. Macquarrie made several key saves in the half as well, and the game headed into overtime.

Andover again controlled the overtime period, creating several quality chances. However, the team was unable to convert, and the game headed into penalty kicks.

Despite Andover's dominating performance during regulation and overtime, Avon won the penalty shootout and advanced to the next round of the tournament.

Despite the tough loss in the New England tournament, Andover finished the season very successfully. Andover will sustain heavy losses this year due to graduation in all parts of the field. Up front, Andover will lose Hirshberg, but it will be hit hardest in the midfield, where it will lose Captain Matt Gorski '09, Alex Choi '09, Chase Potter '09, Trevor Gullick-Stutz '09, and Adam Skaggs '09. Andover's strong defensive unit will also be hit hard, losing Captain Brian Russell '09, Ruaridh Hamilton '09, William Thompson-Butler '09 and Jordan Bach-Lombardo '09.

Co-Captain Brian Russell '09
Boys Soccer

By Spencer Macquarrie
Phillipian Sports Associate

The Andover Boys Soccer team was not loaded with talent. The team did not have numerous division-one bound players. But this team could flat out find ways to win.

Led by the leadership of Co-Captain Brian Russell '09, Andover formed one of the closest groups in New England Prep Soccer. The team chemistry was unmistakable all season. Starting with the annual Team Prep Camp in Casco, Maine, the group of 18 hardworking individuals formed a tightly knit group that truly did whatever it took to help the team. Whether it was an 8-0 win over Tabor Academy or a penalty kick loss in the quarterfinals to Avon, Andover won and lost as a team.

This team-first mentality starts at the top, with the unprecedented leadership of Russell. Russell is a natural born-leader. His uncanny ability to make a team mesh was evident when a team composed of six returning Seniors, four post-graduates, two Uppers and six Lowers instantly became best friends.

Russell was particularly impressed with the maturity of the Lowers. "We had three Lowers starting, and three more that had significant roles. Our team definitely hinged on their performances, and I can't say enough about the job that they did game in and game out."

Russell is not the flashiest player. He is, however, the most dependable player any coach or teammate could ask for. Said Co-Captain Matt Gorski '09, "Brian showed up every day for practice with a determination and energy that was contagious. The whole team saw how he competed on a daily basis and we all definitely strived to emulate this."

> *"We all gelled together so well, coming together as a team from the beginning of the season."*

Russell's role in being one of the most dominant defenders in New England was not always crystal clear. In fact, when he showed up to Prep Camp in ninth grade, he wasn't even sure he wanted to pursue soccer. This all changed in tenth grade when he got called up to play a few games with Varsity. "The intensity and commitment to winning shown by Coach Carr and the players gave me a completely refreshed desire to play the game," said Russell.

As his game continued to improve, Russell soon became one of the most prominent players in the Andover soccer program. Although he lettered with the team for the first time his Upper year, there was no doubt in the team's mind that he would make a great captain the following season.

Most people thought that after the talented 2008 class graduated from the program, Andover soccer would go through a rebuilding phase. Russell never let the team believe for a second that they couldn't be a dominant team. Displaying great courage and grit throughout the season, Russell led his team to the program's first playoff run since 2003.

Russell's memories of watching his brother, Steve Russell '04, perform in the playoffs during his Upper year motivated Brian to make a post-season run this year. "Seeing Steve's team in the playoffs and knowing that they were the last team to make it from Andover was definitely something to compare this season to."

In 20 years, along with the crucial playoff run, Brian will remember the teammates that made the season what it was. Russell said, "We all gelled together so well, coming together as a team right from the beginning of the season. It was a great way to end my soccer career during my Senior season."

Throughout the season, Brian's consistently dominant play and leadership skills have earned him Athlete of the Term honors. His ability to bring the intensity up in almost any situation while also controlling the game made him one of the best backs in New England. While the program will remember Russell as one of the greatest leaders it has ever had, he said that he will "remember the program for the countless memories and friendships that I have made that will ultimately last me a lifetime."

S. Sheu/The Phillipian

Sport: Girls Soccer

Year: 2008

Captains: Catherine Coppinger, Emily Little

Coach: Lisa Joel

Assistant Coach: Bill Scott

Season Record

Won 13 Lost 5 Tied 0

Reached NE Semifinals

Letterwinners

Amorosa, Laura
Brisco, Amanda
Brown, Carolyn
Burke, Shannon
Coppinger, Catherine
Fang, Anna
Farrell, Alex
Feghali, Fay
Glynn, Lauren
Hatton, Cayla
Healey, Morgan
Kohn, Kim
Krishnamachar, Ambika
Little, Emily
Macdonald, Courtney
Nguyen, Eliza
Rademacher, Emily
Sherrill, Kitten
Smith, Sarah
Wallace, Jackie
Woonton, Katherine
Wyckoff, Kira

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Varsity – 2008

No	Name	Pos	Yr	Hometown
	Farrell, Alex	GK	2010	Setauket NY
	Glynn, Lauren	GK	2010	Dover MA
	Kohn, Kim	GK	2010	Riverside CT
2	Coppinger, Catherine	B	2009	Billerica MA
3	Healey, Morgan	M	2009	North Andover MA
4	Little, Emily	F	2009	Sherborn MA
5	Nguyen, Eliza	M/F	2009	Old Lyme CT
6	Macdonald, Courtney	B/M	2011	Danvers MA
7	Brisco, Amanda	F	2010	Houston TX
8	Smith, Sarah	M	2009	Boulder CO
9	Sherrill, Kitten	B	2010	New York NY
10	Krishnamachar, Ambika	M/F	2011	Darien CT
12	Rademacher, Emily	B	2011	Lynchburg VA
13	Wallace, Jackie	F	2010	Beverly MA
14	Burke, Shannon	M	2010	Andover MA
15	Hatton, Cayla	M	2012	Farmington CT
16	Feghali, Fay	F	2012	Salem NHs
17	Wyckoff, Kira	M	2011	San Carlos CA
19	Brown, Carolyn	M	2009	Concord MA
20	Amorosa, Laura	B	2010	Kirkland, Quebec CAN
21	Woonton, Katherine	M	2011	Boxford MA
22	Fang, Anna	B	2010	Watertown MA

Coach: Lisa Joel
Assistant Coach: William Scott
Manager: Tina Kit, Lindsay Newman

Schedule and Record

Record: 13/5/0

DATE/TIME	OPPONENT	H/A	TYPE	SCORE
9/10 @ 4:00 PM	Tufts	H	Game	
9/13 @ 2:00 PM	Rivers	A	Game	W 2-0
9/17 @ 3:15 PM	Middlesex	A	Game	L 0-1
9/20 @ 2:15 PM	Loomis	A	Game	L 0-4
9/25 @ 4:30 PM	Brooks	H	Game	W 1-0
9/27 @ 6:45 PM	Tabor	H	Game	W 2-0
10/4 @ 4:45 PM	Choate	A	Game	W 4-1
10/8 @ 3:00 PM	Governor's Academy	H	Game	W 1-0
10/11 @ 3:00 PM	Noble & Greenough	H	Game	L 1-2
10/15 @ 3:30 PM	St. Paul's	A	Game	W 4-0
10/18 @ 3:00 PM	N.M.H.	A	Game	W 5-2
10/22 @ 3:10 PM	Thayer	A	Game	W 1-0
10/25 @ 3:15 PM	Deerfield	H	Game	W 5-0
10/29 @ 2:45 PM	B.B. & N.	H	Game	L 0-2
11/1 @ 2:30 PM	Pingree	A	Game	W 4-0
11/5 @ 2:30 PM	Holderness	H	Game	W 6-0
11/8 @ 11:00 AM	Exeter	H	Game	W 4-0
11/12 @ 2:00 PM	Buckingham Browne & Nichols	H	Tournament	W 2-1
11/15 @ 1:30 PM	Nobles & Greenough @ St. Sebastian's School	A	Championship	L 2-3

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Morgan Healey '09 dribbles the ball through traffic in a scrimmage.

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Defending NEPSAC Champions Field Youthful Team in 2008

By Megan Farquhar
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

After defeating five-time defending champions Loomis Chaffee for the Championship win in 2007, this year's Andover Girls Soccer team goes into the season with high expectations.

Under the leadership of Co-Captains Emily Little '09 and Catherine Coppinger '09, Andover hopes to have their 2008 season be just as outstanding as their last.

Andover finished its 2007 season with a record of 12-4-2. At the beginning of last season, the team saw some especially difficult matches against Rivers, Brooks, and NMH. However, with a remarkable goal by Little, Andover dominated Loomis Chaffee 1-0 to win the NEPSAC finals for the first time since 1999.

Despite graduating 10 members of the 2007 team, Andover will combine the skill of its new players with the experience of its returning players in order to succeed this season.

Coppinger commented, "We have some strong new and returning players who are stepping up to fill those key holes."

New to the team this year include PG's Sarah Smith '09 and Morgan Healey '09. Both Smith and Healey have made a smooth transition to Andover through preseason and will surely impact the game.

Smith will be starting in midfield and "has the poise, touch and experience to be one of the prep school's best midfielders," commented Coach Lisa Joel. "Smith's and Healey's play, spirit and experience will definitely benefit the Andover team this season."

Other additions to the team include newcomers Ambika Krishnamacher '11, Laura

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Returning Seniors Prepare Team for Opener

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Amorosa '09 and Cayla Hatton '12.

Andover will look to the four returning Seniors, as well as the seven other returning players, to lead the team.

Returning to the team are Seniors Eliza Nguyen, Carolyn Brown, Coppinger and Little. Returning goalkeepers Alex Farrell '10 and Kimberly Kohn '10 are also looking forward to a successful season.

Nguyen's speed and work ethic will be a much needed asset to the Andover midfield. Brown's steady play in the midfield will be key for a fairly inexperienced team.

The team attended a Team Prep Camp this summer, which both challenged the girls physically and improved the team dynamics.

One challenge the team will face this season is to grow beyond the skill of each player and learn to play as one team.

Coppinger said, "We have a lot of individual talent, and, with camp and preseason behind us, I see us beginning to play more and more as a team."

Players always showed up early for preseason practice, worked tirelessly to perfect their skills and showed energy and enthusiasm both on and off the field.

"I am excited for the start of the season this week," concluded Coppinger. "Although only time will tell if we will have another championship year, the team is looking great so far."

Coach Joel stated, "Our goal is to take each half of play as it comes."

"If the good work done at Team Prep Camp and during preseason forecast anything, I believe we are in for an exciting season," Joel continued.

Andover will start off its season with a scrimmage against Tufts University's JV team on Wednesday and will have its first official game at Rivers on Saturday.

Andover will need to get off to a fast start this season. The defending champions will look to build confidence with a few early wins to get the season rolling in an attempt to defend its NEPSAC championship.

Surely a highlight of the season will be when the team travels to Loomis in a rematch of last year's finals.

Loomis had consistently beat Andover until last season, when Andover staked two wins against the New England powerhouse. Snagging another win on the road against Loomis season would be huge for the team.

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Anna Fang '10 sprints past her Brooks defender on the right flank in Andover's 1-0 victory over its cross-town rival.

Andover Improves to 3-2 with Undefeated Week; Brisco '10 Scores Two Goals in Tabor Win

By Megan Farquhar
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	1
Brooks	0

Andover	2
Tabor	0

Goalkeeper Alex Farrell '10 anchored a tremendous Andover defense this week, leading the team to two consecutive shutouts in close wins over NEPSAC rivals Brooks and Tabor.

After a disappointing loss to rival Loomis Chaffee last week, the Andover team was eager to avenge their loss by beating Brooks. Brooks came into the game with an undefeated record. The match-up was also the first home game of the season for Andover, another reason it was one of the biggest games of the season so far. Andover lived up to the pressure, and the team's enthusiasm was clear on the field from the opening whistle. "Everyone stepped up to the challenge of playing them," said Co-Captain Catherine Coppinger '09.

Katherine Sherrill '10 scored the first goal of the game, a play that started with a corner kick early in the match by Courtney Macdonald '11.

Ambika Krishnamachar '11 also had an impressive game. "She successfully shut down one of Brooks' top players in the midfield," Coach Lisa Joel said, and the defense was unstoppable for the rest of the half.

Leading 1-0 to begin the second half, Andover continued their intensity with speed and agility on both sides of the ball.

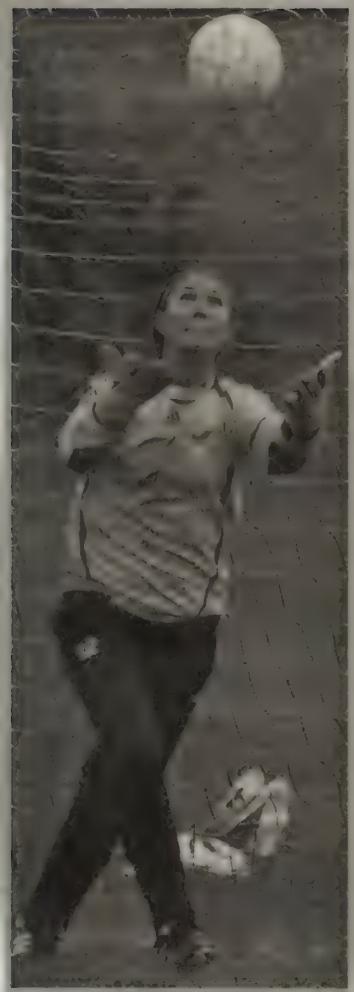
Goalkeeper Farrell had an especially impressive game, with several crucial saves to preserve the shutout and prevent Brooks from tying the game.

"I think that winning this game was crucial in getting our momentum back after our tough loss to Loomis," remarked Coppinger.

Andover carried its momentum into Saturday's game against Tabor.

Andover did not disappoint the home crowd, as Amanda Brisco '10 scored the first goal of the game early in the first half. After the initial goal, Andover effectively kept the ball on Tabor's half of the field. Despite several opportunities, however, Andover couldn't sneak in another goal before the end of the half.

Brisco scored her second goal of the game to open the second half. The defense was unflappable for the second straight game, as Andover overcame many injuries to pull through with a 2-0 win.



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Alex Farrell '10
Athlete of the Week

By Maggie Law
& Jack Doyle
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Goalkeeper Alex Farrell '10 led Andover in two shutouts this week against Tabor and an undefeated Brooks team. Her countless crucial saves preserved the 2-0 and 1-0 victories, as the Girls Soccer team improved its season record to 3-2. Farrell has played for the varsity team since her freshman year, and last year she was the starting goalkeeper in Andover's championship season.

Q: *How long have you been playing soccer? Have you been a goalie the whole time?*
A: I've been playing since intramural soccer began when I was five or six years old. I became a goalie once I started playing travel soccer when I was 12. When I was young, I really didn't want to be a goalie because I didn't like the idea of standing still by the net away from all the action.

Q: *Have your feelings about being a goalie changed since then? What is your favorite part about the position?*
A: As soon as I started actually playing goalie I really liked it. I honestly can't imagine myself ever playing any other position on the field. I'd say the best part is the feeling you get when you save a really good shot that the other team thought was going to be a goal.

Q: *Have you had any coaches or mentors in particular that have influenced your soccer career?*
A: Definitely. When I was 12, my travel soccer coach taught me almost everything I know about being a goalie. He actually played professional soccer in Costa Rica before he became a coach. He was a goalkeeper, so he knew everything about the position and he taught me all of the fundamentals.

Q: *Your sister was a goalie for Exeter. Why did you decide to come play at Andover instead of Exeter?*
A: I made the decision to come to Andover completely on my own. I guess I didn't want to follow exactly in her footsteps. I also just liked Andover as a school more than Exeter, so I knew it was the right choice for me.

Q: *Do you have any superstitions before games?*
A: Well like most people on the team, I have a certain playlist that I listen to get pumped up before games. This is kind of weird, but I also have a strict routine when I get dressed. I always have to put my right shinguard, my right-handed glove, and my right shoe first.

Q: *What was it like to be the goalie for the championship team last year? Do you think this year's team can repeat?*
A: It was sick. The championship game against Loomis was by far the greatest and most exciting game of my life, and the whole season was an awesome experience. I know we can do it again. We have a lot of skilled players with experience from last year's run, and we are all motivated to defend our championship.

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Morgan Healey '10 eludes a fallen Governor's opponent. Andover improved its record to 5-2 with an undefeated week.

Girls Soccer Tops Undefeated Governor's; Amanda Brisco '10 Scores Lone Goal in Win

By Megan Farquhar
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	4
Choate	1

Andover	1
Governor's	0

Playing through her injury, Co-captain Emily Little '09 scored three of Andover's four goals in last Saturday's 4-1 win over Choate.

Later in the week, Amanda Brisco '10 scored the lone goal in Andover's thrilling shutout victory over an undefeated Governor's Academy squad.

After defeating Brooks and Tabor in the week leading up to this Saturday, the team remained confident that they could come out victorious against Choate.

Although the game was away, the team kept the same level of spirit and enthusiasm that they play with on the Andover turf.

In the first half, Andover's offense was particularly strong, maintaining pressure on Choate's half of the field.

Little scored the first goal of the game off a perfect pass from one of her teammates, and then struck again as she snuck in a second goal just before half time, putting Andover ahead, 2-0.

Choate responded immediately coming out of halftime with a quick goal. Soon after, however, Andover regained its momentum, as Brisco retaliated by scoring Andover's third goal.

Little ended the game as she started it, with fourth miraculous goal for Andover, and Andover's defense settled in to preserve the lead.

"Despite the high score, the game was a huge team effort, and everyone played really well," Carolyn Brown '09 said.

Andover carried its passion and confidence into its second game of the week, against Governor's Academy at home on Wednesday.

Governor's was undefeated before the game, so Andover was especially ecstatic to come away with the victory.

Andover was at a disadvantage throughout the game due to many injuries that the Andover team has been dealing with recently.

As a result, the vast majority of the starting players ended up playing the entire game

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Ambika Krishnamachar '11 controls the ball while looking for an open teammate.

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Goalkeeper Farrell '10 Shuts Out Governor's With Timely Saves

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with very few breaks in the action.

One of those players, Ambika Krishnamachar '11, had an impressive game, as she successfully shut down one of Governor's crucial players in the midfield.

The play went back and forth during the first half. Despite many scoring opportunities, neither team was able to build enough momentum to get on the scoreboard before halftime.

Though Andover had seemed fatigued at the end of the first half, it started the second with a lot of enthusiasm and a determination to pull ahead of their opponents. Brisco finally broke the scoreless tie with a goal early in the second half, and following the goal Andover truly came together as a team.

It was this cohesive, communal effort that ultimately won the game. Although Andover didn't score again, its defense did a superb job at keeping the ball down at Governors end of the field.

Goalkeeper Alex Farrell '10 had an especially impressive game, with several crucial saves.

Overall, this was an outstanding week for Girls Soccer. Both the Governors and Choate games were a "tremendous team effort for all 80 minutes," Coach Lisa Joel said.

The team now sports a 5-2 record, and hopes to continue its winning streak next week against Nobles and Greenough on Saturday and the against St. Paul's on Wednesday.

Captain Emily Little '09
Athlete of the Week

Co-Captain Emily Little '09 returned from a sprained ankle to tally a hat trick against Choate in Andover's 4-1 win. Little has been the cornerstone of Andover's attack all season. Her explosiveness and knack for the goal has led her to be one of the most prolific scorers in New England Prep soccer this season.

Q: *How has being a four-year varsity player prepared you for this season?*

A: I think most importantly is that I can relate to freshman on the team now. I was the only freshman on the team, and it was definitely a unique experience. Understanding this experience has allowed me to reach out to freshman players.

Q: *How do you manage playing club soccer while at Andover?*

A: I play for a club called Tri-Valley, and most of the girls are ISL players. The majority of our team goes to Nobles. The team is a lot of fun, but it definitely is tough playing club while managing work. I can't make all the practices, but I go to all the games and it definitely helps me stay in shape for the season.

Q: *How come your team has a different psyche before every game?*

A: I hate the psyches. I think they're tacky and obnoxious and have not participated in a psyche in my time here, even as Captain! In all seriousness, I don't like psyches in general because I think they draw unnecessary attention to teams.

Q: *If you could add one trait to your game that you don't already have, what would it be?*

A: If I could only add one thing, it would probably be endurance so that I could play the full 90 minutes a little more easily.

Q: *What's the worst part about being a Captain?*

A: The worst part is definitely how the younger kids call me all the time. They call me at the most obscure hours and won't even be calling for a reason! Whenever I hear my room phone ring, I know it's an underclass girl on the soccer team.

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Q: *What's your most important goal that you have ever scored?*

A: My goal in last year's 1-0 championship win. It was the beginning of the second half and a cross came swinging towards the center. A Loomis defender got to it and tried to play it back to the keeper, but it wasn't hit hard enough. I sprinted past the defender and got to the ball before the goalie could and just passed it into the back of the net. Definitely not my prettiest goal ever, but certainly my biggest.

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Andover Splits Week at 1-1

Farrell '10 Leaves St. Paul's Scoreless

By Megan Farquhar
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Nobles	2
Andover	0
Andover	4
St. Paul's	0

Scoring all four goals, Amanda Brisco '10 led the Girls Varsity Soccer team to a 4-0 victory over St. Paul's on Wednesday.

The win came after Andover's third consecutive loss to Nobles on Saturday.

Though Andover was confident from last week's winning streak, it was clear that Nobles was determined to take the victory.

Andover played a strong first half, but the defense let up by the second, allowing Nobles to defeated Andover, 2-0.

At start of the game, both teams came out fierce and eager to play.

Andover boasted its characteristic speed and endurance while Nobles competed with solid agility. After both teams had equal opportunities to score, Nobles managed to sneak in a shot past the Andover net. Andover recov-

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Amanda Brisco '10 (left) outruns a defender, while Cayla Hatton '12 winds up for a big kick.

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Amanda Brisco '10 Dominates With a Four-Goal Performance

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ered, and there was a significant amount of play on both the Nobles and Andover sides throughout the remainder of the first half.

Only down by one point, Andover ended the half still hopeful.

Co-Captain Catherine Coppinger '09 commented on Andover's frustrating first half, "Both teams created scoring opportunities, but we were just unable to capitalize on our chances."

The second half began similarly to the first, with Nobles's fearless determination trumping Andover's talent.

Despite Andover's strength on the field during the second half, Nobles came back into the game resolute to take the victory.

Half way through the second half, a Nobles offender passed the ball to a teammate who was scored another goal.

After that second goal, Andover's defense strengthened tremendously, especially goalkeeper Alex Farrell '10, who had several significant saves, and kept Nobles to only two goals.

Although Andover did not score, the team remained optimistic. "Even though we did not come out on the winning side of this game, I think we played really well.

Nobles is easily one of the top two teams we will play this year, and we matched up to them nicely, making for a pretty even game," Coppinger said.

The team is hoping that they will meet Nobles for a rematch in the NEPSAC tournament, and avenge their loss.

On Wednesday, the team traveled to St. Paul's and redeemed itself with a sweeping 4-0 shutout.

Andover played with momentum. Amanda Brisco '10 set the tone for the rest of the game by scoring the first goal within the first ten minutes of the game.

Soon after that, Brisco '10 scored her second goal, putting Andover up 2-0 at the half.

Andover dominated the second half as much as it had the first.

Its's combination of energy and endurance was clearly superior to the opposition. Brisco '10, quickly scored her third goal of the game.

Andover had a penalty against it, and, despite the 3-0 lead, goalkeeper Alex Farrell '10 nervously got ready for the penalty kick.

The tension of the moment followed the ball all the way to the goal, where Farrell '10 then made a miraculous save, keeping St. Paul's from getting on the scoreboard.

Farrell's unexpected save only added to Andover's excitement on the field. Athough St. Paul's never lost its spirit, Andover continued to play hard, and Brisco '10 scored her fourth and final goal, ending the match in a tremendous win for Andover.

"She was just amazing," Coppinger '09 remarked on Brisco's impressive scoring streak.

The team looks forward to facing Northfield Mount Hermon on Saturday. Andover suffered an upsetting lost to NMH last season and hopes to make up for it this weekend.

Andover Offense Explodes for 5 Goals in Decisive Win at NMH

By Megan Farquhar
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	5
NMH	2

Andover	1
Thayer	0

Andover continued its winning streak this week with a 5-2 win against NMH on Saturday, followed by its 1-0 victory over Thayer.

There was a lot of anticipation building up before the NMH game. Last year, the team suffered a disappointing loss to NMH and everyone, especially the returning players, hoped to avenge the loss.

Andover started the first half with a bang, as Amanda Brisco '10 put Andover on the scoreboard within the first eight minutes. With a one-point lead, Andover gained momentum and confidence. Brisco impressed everyone again with a second goal to give Andover a two-goal cushion.

NMH stayed strong and determined, however, and was able to sneak one into Andover's net. But just minutes before the end of the first half, Co-Captain Emily Little '09 placed a beautiful shot past the opposing goalkeeper, which put Andover at a 3-1 advantage.

After NMH scored a quick goal to open the second half, Little stole the ball down at Andover's end of the field. After a remarkable run down the entire length of the field, she dodged the goalie and placed the ball in an open net to increase Andover's lead.

"It was definitely one of the best plays of the game," remarked her fellow Co-Captain, Catherine Coppinger '09.

Throughout the rest of the half, there was a lot of back-and-forth play, and each team had equal chances to score. Ambika Krishnamachar '11 capitalized on one of those opportunities to secure the impressive 5-2 victory for Andover.

"NMH was an exciting win for Andover because we were able to avenge last year's loss. More importantly, we proved to ourselves that we had the inner strength to conquer our opponents," said Coppinger.

Andover ended its week with another win against Thayer Academy, bringing the team's record to 9-3.

The first half of the game was played with extremely high intensity, as both teams had several close scoring opportunities. There was a significant amount of back-and-forth play, and Andover's conditioning and endurance really showed.

Toward the end of the first half, Little gave a quick cross to Nguyen, who was positioned on the far post. Nguyen dodged the opponent in front of her and found the back of the net with a perfect finish. Andover finished the half with a narrow 1-0 lead.

By the second half, Andover had gained control of the momentum by pushing the ball into Thayer's half of the field. Despite several more scoring opportunities, neither team was able to capitalize with a goal, and the game ended in Andover's favor, 1-0.

"Thayer was a tough team to beat, but everyone played really well," said Nguyen, who scored Andover's lone goal. "Everyone was determined and focused; it really was a true team effort."

"We're taking everything game by game right now," remarked Coppinger, "but if we continue to play how we've been playing, I think we'll have a good shot at doing really well at Interschols this year."

This Parents' Weekend Andover will face Deerfield at 3:15 on Saturday at Phelps Stadium.

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Co-Captain Emily Little '09 blows by a defender with some fancy footwork. Deerfield could not control Little's explosive offense in Saturday's game.

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Offense Triumphs in Decisive Fashion Against Deerfield

By Megan Farquhar
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	5
Deerfield	0

BB&N	2
Andover	0

In front of sidelines packed with parents and fans, Co-Captain Emily Little '09 led a decisive shutout scoring four of the team's five goals.

Andover, this past week, faced off against Deerfield and BB&N, two traditionally strong squads.

Prevailing over Deerfield by a strong margin gave the team a good win to boast about this season, while a disappointing loss to BB&N kept the team to a 1-1 week.

In Saturday's game against Deerfield, Andover took control of the game very early on. Within minutes of the starting whistle, Little received the ball and scored an impressive goal for Andover. After less than ten minutes had passed, Little scored her second goal of the game, putting Andover in a 2-0 lead.

After Little's stellar two points, the momentum and energy level of the team skyrocketed. "The energy from the fans, and all of the parents who were there made the game really exciting," commented Co-Captain Catherine Coppinger '09.

While Deerfield tried to level the score with strong chances of its own, the game went into halftime with a score of 2-0.

The second half began very similarly to the first, as Little scored her third goal of the game, and stretched Andover's lead to a whopping four goals. There were some unnerving plays towards the middle of the second, as Deerfield tried to rally a comeback goal. However, Deerfield was unsuccessful and could not follow through their shots. Andover retaliated

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as Little scored the fifth and final goal of the game.

Lauren Glynn '10, goalkeeper for the entire second half, had several key saves which kept Deerfield from getting on the scoreboard, and contributing to Andover 5-0 win. The Deerfield game was Andover's seventh shutout of the season, and 5 points is the largest point margin Andover has won by all year.

Since Deerfield is a traditionally strong team, and always a good match for Andover, the team was especially proud of their victory. "The way we played today was the best I've seen the team play all season," remarked Coppinger. "We kept up the intensity, and it really paid off."

Coming off the very impressive Saturday win, the team was ready for action this past Wednesday as Andover faced off against BB&N on Andover's home turf. Unfortunately, the team experienced a disappointing upset, losing to BB&N 0-2.

Early on in the first half, BB&N got a lucky shot in as the ball slowly dribbled into the Andover net. However, Andover looked past this early goal and was focused and determined for the remaining half. Though the Andover defense was unwavering and the offense persistent, it was not able to sneak a goal past the BB&N defenders.

The team stuck to Coach Lisa Joel's mantra by playing, "one half at a time," and came out strong and ready to score at the start of the second half. However, BB&N soon took control of the game and scored their second goal against Andover. Unfortunately, Andover seemed to lose a lot of momentum after BB&N's second goal. Though a fair amount of the play during the second half did take place in front of the BB&N net, their defense was solid and did not let Andover score. Andover had a few scoring opportunities, but the ball just seemed to keep missing the net. After another disappointing half, the team walked away with their fourth loss of the season.

"I really think we could have beaten them under different circumstances, and definitely if we played them again," reflected Coppinger.

With a 9-4 record, Andover has already put the BB&N game behind them and is concentrating on beating Pingree this coming Saturday. If Andover wins its next three games, it will still be in the running to compete in the playoffs after the end of the season. The team is also preparing for their rivalry match-up against Exeter next weekend. Exeter is always a good game, and it is looking to be especially close this year.

Girls Soccer Dominates With Wins Over Pingree and Holderness; Offense Explodes to Outscore Opponents 9-0 On Week

By Megan Farquhar
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	4
Pingree	0

Andover	5
Holderness	0

Eliza Nguyen '09 contributed three assists and one goal to Andover's 4-0 win against Pingree last Saturday. The team finished the week with a 5-0 win against Holderness on Wednesday to propel its season record to 11-4 record.

On Saturday, the team traveled to Pingree and continued its winning record with a sweeping 4-0 shutout.

Though Andover was not on its home turf, it still played with momentum. Nguyen '09 and Co-Captain Emily Little '09 set the tone for the rest of the game by assisting and scoring the first goal within the first ten minutes of the half.

Soon after that, Nguyen '09 and Little '09 teamed up again for the second goal of the game, which put Andover in a 2-0 lead at the half.

Goalkeeper Alex Farrell '10 played the entire half and had several great saves.

One particularly impressive save was at the very end of the first half, and kept Pingree off of the scoreboard while keeping Andover up by two.

Andover also dominated the second half of the game. Andover's combination of energy and endurance was clearly superior to its opponents.

Nguyen '09 took control of the ball early on in the first half and scored her third goal of the game.

Forward Jacqueline Wallace '10 managed to net the fourth goal of the game—her first goal of the season.

"It was a really impressive goal, but it being her first of the season made it especially exciting!" recalled Carolyn Brown '09.

Goalkeeper Lauren Glynn '10 continued the saving streak set by Farrell in the first half. Though her efforts were persistent throughout the entire half, there was a close call after Andover's third goal.

Glynn, however, calmly reduced the team's tension by making a critical save, and by preventing Pingree from scoring for the remainder of the game.

Pingree had been undefeated before Saturday's game, which only added to Andover's excitement.

Coming out 4-0 against an undefeated team certainly boosted the team's confidence for Wednesday's game against Holderness, as well as for Exeter on Saturday.

Andover continued its winning streak against Holderness at home on Wednesday. The girls came out confident, determined, and ready to win. Ambika Krishnamachar '10 stole the ball within the first five minutes of the game, and successfully managed to put one in the net.

Andover stayed strong and dominated the play. By halftime, Andover had scored two more goals, while Holderness had not scored any.

Andover scored again, taking a 4-0 lead with the majority of the second half remaining.

Still controlling the game, Andover kept most of the play throughout the second half in Holderness's end of the field.

Stellar defense coupled with Andover's powerful midfield and offense created several scoring opportunities.

When Andover pulled into a five-point lead, Goalkeeper Alex Farrell '10 tried out the midfield for the last few minutes in the half.

Andover prevailed with a 5-0 victory.

Andover will play rival Exeter at 11:00 am on Saturday. Andover/Exeter is always an exciting match-up for Girls Soccer, and the 2008 season is no exception.

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Co-Captain Emily Little '09 reaches to cut back a bouncing ball. Andover looks to continue its winning streak vs. Exeter.

Girls Soccer:

Last Three Meetings: 2007: 1–1 (T)
2006: 0–0 (T)
2005: 1–2 (L)

Stopping Captain Emily Little '09 will certainly be a priority for Exeter on Saturday. Little has scorched opposing defenses game in and game out. Andover's offense has been phenomenal all season, scoring four or more goals in five out of the 14 games played this season.

Know Your Opponent:
Exeter hasn't managed to establish a rhythm this season and has failed to record a winning streak of more than two games. Exeter's offense has been held at bay for the majority of the season, only netting more than one goal in just five games this season.

Brisco '10 Nets Three in Win Against Exeter; Andover Tops BB&N to Advance in Postseason

By Megan Farquhar
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	4
Exeter	0

Andover	3
BB&N	1

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Amanda Brisco '10 finds a hole in the Exeter defense. She scored three of Andover's goals.

Amanda Brisco '10 scored three out of the four goals against rival Exeter last Saturday, powering Andover to a 3-1 win. With the win, Andover locked down the fourth seed in the New England playoffs.

Although Andover held an advantage on paper against an inconsistent Exeter team, both sides prepared for a battle on Saturday. "No matter what the teams' records are before, Andover/Exeter is always a really good game," remarked co-Captain Catherine Coppinger '09.

However, Brisco took control early on and set the pace for the rest of the game by scoring the first goal. Up 1-0, Andover managed to keep the lead for the rest of the game. There was a fair amount of back and forth play, as both teams had strong scoring opportunities. Brisco capitalized on one of these opportunities, bringing Andover to a 2-0 lead.

Just before half time, Co-Captain Emily Little '09 dribbled the ball down to the left-hand corner of the field. She crossed it in front of the Exeter net, where Brisco '10 was perfectly positioned to pop the ball in the net. Brisco's third goal gave Andover a solid 3-0 lead heading into the break

Little eventually stepped up to score the fourth and final goal of the game about midway through the second half. As time expired, Andover secured their twelfth and final win.

"Winning Andover/Exeter really pumped us up. It's a game all of us will definitely remember," Coppinger commented.

After such a successful Andover/Exeter, fourth-seed Andover faced off against fifth seed BB&N on Wednesday with confidence. Within the first sixty seconds after the whistle, Andover's leading scorer this season, Brisco, went in for a goal but fell down, hurt. Though Brisco walked off the field, she was unfortunately out of the game for the rest of its duration.

Unfazed, Andover's offense remained persistent by continuing to take several promising but unsuccessful shots. BB&N took control of the ball, and one of their offensive players started into a breakaway. In a moment of heightened anxiety for Andover, goalkeeper Alex Farrell '10 made a spectacular diving save in order to keep BB&N off the scoreboard.

The remainder of the first half proved to be a defensive struggle. Despite a fair amount of play on their side, Andover's defense was successful in clearing the ball out at the last minute. Farrell made many saves in the first half, and defender Courtney McDonald '11, Anna Fang '10, and Coppinger had an especially strong first half. Andover entered halftime tied, 0-0.

Within the first five minutes of the second half, BB&N took a solid shot on goal and scored, putting Andover in a 0-1 deficit. Andover eventually rebounded as Ambika Krishnamachar '11 stole the ball and placed it into the very top of the BB&N net, just out of the goalie's reach. Within minutes, Krishnamachar scored again off a corner kick by Katherine Woonton '11. For the first time in the game, Andover held the lead.

The third and final goal of the game occurred on a chaotic play. The ball bounced between several Andover feet and heads before Little finally rolled it into the net. Time expired with Andover on top 3-1.

On Saturday, Andover will play undefeated Nobles in the semi-finals. Nobles is currently the number one seed in the play-offs and beat Andover 2-0 during the regular season. Andover feels they are at a slight advantage because they have played Nobles before and know what to expect. Andover hopes to avenge their 0-2 loss and proceed to the Championship game next week.

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Co-Captain Emily Little '09 makes a diving header to score against BB&N in the quarterfinals of the playoffs.

Girls Knocked Out in Heartbreaker vs. Nobles

By Megan Farquhar
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Nobles	3
Andover	2

Off of a soaring cross from the left flank, Eliza Nguyen '09 broke through the defense to head the ball into the back of the net, tying the game at 2-2 against Nobles. Despite Nguyen's efforts, Nobles eventually got the better of Andover and won the game 3-2 to advance to the New England Championships.

Andover, having advanced to the semifinals after their 3-1 win over BB&N last week, came into last Saturday's playoff game knowing that they would face a challenge in the game against Nobles, the top-ranked team in the tournament.

Although Nobles was seeded first and Andover fourth, the teams' levels of intensity at the start of the game were equal. Andover, who suffered a 0-2 loss to Nobles earlier in the season, knew from the start they had to play their best in order to emerge with a victory.

Nobles was the first to get on the scoreboard. Unwilling to give up, Andover bounced back quickly. Co-Captain Emily Little '09 headed the ball into the net, tying the score, 1-1. Despite Andover's defensive efforts, a Nobles opponent was able to slip past the defense and slide the ball past goalkeeper Alex Farrell '10.

The second half started much like the first, with both teams going back and forth trying to obtain a firm hold and gain momentum in the game. This time, Andover was first to score. Eliza Nguyen '09 headed the ball into the net to tie the game at 2-2. Toward the end of the half, it seemed as though the teams might end up facing off in overtime. Within the last five minutes of the game, however, a foul inside the Andover 18 resulted in a penalty kick for Nobles. Nobles made the kick, scoring their third and final goal of the game.

Despite Andover's loss, they played well as a team and fought hard throughout the entire game. "Every effort was a team effort," Carolyn Brown '09 said. "The fact that Nobles went on to win the championship, and that we were able to play with them until the very end, says a lot about what kind of team we are." Solid teamwork, relentless offense and a sturdy defense were some of Andover's strengths this season.

Farrell commented on the goals scored throughout the game. "There was a lot of stress, but we played strong throughout the whole game and never gave up."

Though Nobles was a frustrating loss, the team remained focused on their overall victorious 2008 season. One of two PG's on the team, Morgan Healey '09, said, "It was a really cool experience. Playing for a high school again was relaxing and a lot of fun."

One aspect the team improved on this year was their defense. Healey said, "Not just our defensive line, but our ability to get back and play defense as a team got a lot better." This season, the team overcame the challenge of having individually talented players and worked well together on the field..

Andover's overall record, including post-season play, was a victorious 13-5. Andover's two big wins this season were their 4-0 victory over rival Phillips Exeter and their 5-0 defeat of Deerfield Academy.

Only graduating six seniors this year, the team will hopefully have nine returning seniors for the fall 2009 season. Though Andover had a youthful team in 2008, their experience next year will prove to be most advantageous.

Sport: Girls Volleyball

Year: 2008

Captain: Isabelle Englested

Coach: Clyfe Beckwith

Assistant Coach: Victor Svec

Season Record

Won 15 Lost 1 Tied 0

Reached NE Finals

Letterwinners

Amurawaiye, Kemi
Carpenter, Shelby
Colombo, Caroline
Engelsted, Isabelle
Gattuso, Caroline
McCafferty, Meghan
Mommsen, Cristina
Rothschild, Viola
Shenk, Jamie
Svec, Katherine
Tao, Alice
Xu, Stephanie
Yan, Melissa

Phillips Academy
Girls' Volleyball
Varsity - 2008

No	Name	Pos.	Yr	Hometown
2	Carpenter, Shelby	S	2012	Topeka, KS
3	Svec, Katherine	DS	2010	Andover, MA
4	Yan, Melissa	S/DS	2010	Naperville, IL
5	Engelsted, Isabelle	OPP	2009	Cambridge, MA
7	Xu, Stephanie	DS	2009	Andover, MA
8	Rothschild, Viola	MH/OPP	2010	Jacksonville, FL
11	McCafferty, Meghan	MH	2010	Tyngsboro, MA
12	Tao, Alice	OH/S	2011	Andover, MA
14	Gattuso, Caroline	DS	2009	North Reading, MA
15	Amurawaiye, Kemi	MH	2011	Whitby, Ontario CAN
17	Colombo, Caroline	OPP/MH	2009	Andover, MA
22	Shenk, Jamie	OH	2012	San Francisco, CA
27	Mommsen, Cristina	OH	2009	Greenwich, CT

Coaches: Clyfe Beckwith
Victor Svec
Manager: Peter Yang '10

Schedule and Record

Record: 15/1/0

DATE/TIME	OPPONENT	H/A	TYPE	SCORE
9/13 @ 2:15 PM	Cushing/SPS/Exeter/NH	H	Game	PLAYDAY
9/16 @ 4:00 PM	Central Catholic	H	Scrimmage	W 4-0
9/20 @ 2:30 PM	Loomis	A	Game	W 3-1
9/24 @ 3:00 PM	St. Paul's	H	Game	W 3-0
9/27 @ 2:00 PM	N.M.H./Taft	A	Game	W 2-0;2-1
10/4 @ 5:00 PM	Choate	A	Game	W 3-1
10/11 @ 2:15 PM	New Hampton	A	Game	W 3-0
10/15 @ 3:15 PM	Exeter	A	Game	W 3-1
10/18 @ 3:00 PM	N.M.H.	A	Game	W 3-0
10/22 @ 3:45 PM	Hotchkiss	A	Game	W 3-1
10/25 @ 3:45 PM	Deerfield	H	Game	W 3-0
10/29 @ 3:30 PM	St. Paul's	A	Game	W 3-1
11/2 @ 11:00 AM	All Star	A	Tournament	
11/5 @ 3:30 PM	Worcester	H	Game	W 3-1
11/8 @ 12:00 PM	Exeter	H	Game	W 3-0
11/12 @ 3:00 PM	St. Paul's School	H	Tournament	W 3-0
11/15 @ 1:30 PM	Phillips Exeter Academy	A	Tournament	W 3-0
11/15 @ 3:00 PM	Hotchkiss School	A	Championship	L 1-3

Loomis
9/20/2008

Phillips Andover opened its season on the road at Loomis, taking the match 3-1 (25-16, 25-16, 17-25, 25-21).

In set 1 (NCAA rules now dictate we call them sets instead of games) Loomis and Andover traded the lead 4 times till Meghan McCafferty '10 broke the 12-12 tie on a 6-point serving streak, which gave Andover a sufficient lead to take the first set in only one-and-half rotations. In set 2 Melissa Yan '10 and Cristina Mommsen '09 contributed with 4 and 5 service points respectively. Set 3 proved more difficult for Andover as Loomis had four separate servers contribute 3 serving points each, while Andover scored 11 of its points on side-outs. In set 4 Andover returned to fine form earning 15 service points, contributions by Melissa Yan, Cristina Mommsen and Jamie Shenk '12.

Setter Melissa Yan '10 notched 32 assists. Cristina Mommsen led the team in 3 categories of 17 kills, 6 aces and 5 saves. Captain Isabelle Engelsted '09 followed suit with 9, 2 and 4 respectively. Meghan McCafferty '10 with 4 of 4 blocks. Meghan and Jamie Shenk '12 each recorded 5 kills of their own. Katy Svec '10 and Caroline Gattuso '09, sharing the libero position, scored 2 and 4 saves respectively backing the team up on solid defense.

PA will host St. Paul's on Wednesday 9.25.

St. Paul's
9/25/2008

Andover hosted Saint Paul's today and Andover emerged victorious 3-0 (25-11, 25-19,25-14) which improves Andover's record to 2-0.

Meghan McCafferty '10 led the team in kills (6), service points (22 of 23), aces 5, and blocks 3 of 3. Isabelle Engelsted '09 and Jamie Shenk '12 each scored 5 kills on 14 of 15 and 16 of 18 successful hits respectively. Cristina Mommsen '09 and Caroline Colombo '09 each scored 4 kills. Cristina led the team with 13 defensive saves. While the minutes were not quite equal for everyone, all 13 on the team got in to play.

In set 1 Andover and Saint Paul's traded the lead until 10-8, at which point a side-out and captain Isabelle Engelsted ripping two serves gave Andover the lead at 13-10. Christina Mommsen 2 serves set up Meghan McCafferty who would serve out the set with 7 unanswered service points. In set 2 starters Isabelle and Cristina got a rest while Viola Rothschild '10 (playing outside hitter in this rotation instead of the usual

middle), Kemi Amurawaiye '11 and Caroline Colombo '09 impressed with their net play. Katy Svec '10, Caroline Gattuso '09, and Steph Xu '09 anchored the team with their defense throughout the match.

Set 3 the team took a commanding 15-3 lead, and while Saint Paul's had a 4 service point run, Andover convincingly played out a win in front a home crowd.

Thanks to all the fans who cheered us on. Andover will travel to Northfield on Saturday for a double-header against NMH and unbeaten Taft.

Choate

10/4/2008

Andover traveled to Choate today for a late 5 p.m. match after SAT's. While Andover prevailed in the match of the-so-far-unbeaten by a score of 3-1 (25-20, 16-25, 25-23, 25-18) this could easily have gone the other way too. Andover will have to prepare itself for the eventuality of such and not repeat last year's season results when we also beat Choate in the regular season, but they then bested us in the quarterfinals.

Set #1 had Choate pull ahead by a four point margin at 9-5, and it was not until Andover's Meghan McCafferty took to service line trailing 12-15 that Andover finally got the lead at 16-15. Both teams sided out a couple more times, Andover trailed 17-20 when Cristina hammered the finishing nails with 7 unanswered serves to give Andover a 1-0 advantage in the match. 16 recorded kills by Andover, 5 aces, and 13 recorded defensive saves gives you an idea how hard we had to fight to get that advantage; we also made 7 hitting errors, no service errors, and 5 defense errors.

Set #2 started badly for Andover, a side-out and five unanswered service points on Choate's #18 gave Choate a 6-0 lead. Andover recorded 8 kills and 4 aces in this set and trailed by as many as 10 points at 4-14 and again at 14-24. 9 hitting errors, 1 service error, 11 defense errors and Choate playing on fire, gave them the advantage and a tied match at 1 set apiece.

Set #3 would see Andover pull ahead 6-1 on Jamie Shenk's four service points and pull ahead to 13-5 on the first complete rotation where Choate scored its only points on side-outs. For the next 6 rotations Choate struck back with vengeance, four unanswered service points by Choate's libero #2, holding Andover only 5 service points and 6 side-out points. The game tied at 23-23 Andover secured its set-point through a side-out and then Isabelle Engelsted served the winning serve. In this game Andover experienced a hiccup in that Melissa Yan had to rest and ice her knee when the score was 18-18. Shelby Carpenter came in off the bench, scored an assist and then served to give Andover the lead 20-19. Shelby, Alice Tao (back row) and Caroline Colombo (front row) were worthy replacements; let's recognize here how hard it is to come off the bench and pull off such a successful assistance.

Set #4, Andover found success though forced to a 6-2 line-up with Kemi Amurawaiye playing opposite hitter and Isabelle Engelsted playing setter from the back row. Tied at 4-4, Andover managed to expand that lead

as far as 5 points though Choate would carve away at it again and again. Andover managed to get its maximum 7-point lead at 18-11, though Choate brought it back to within 3 points at 18-15. 9 kills and 5 aces, 14 defensive saves.

A hard fought victory against a perennially worthy opponent. Former coach Gary Dormandy's presence is still felt strongly; my hat off and congratulations to Dave Loeb for today's helmsmanship. Thanks to all the Andover fans who traveled near and far.

Andover improves its record to 5-0 and will travel to New Hampton next Saturday.

Today's stats leaders are: Christina Mommsen with a season high 17 kills, Meghan McCafferty with 6 stuff blocks and 9 total, Meghan and Isabelle Engelsted (6 aces) with 14 service points each, Melissa Yan with 27 assists, and Cristina Mommsen with 49 of 56 defensive plays.

Hotchkiss

10/22/2008

Andover, now 9-0, traveled to Worcester today to meet the only other undefeated team in the league, Hotchkiss, now 9-1. Andover prevailed 3-1 (26-24, 17-25, 26-24, 25-16).

Some extremely hard-fought points, very good hitting on both sides; adjustments had to be made to deal with attacks heretofore not encountered this season by either team. There were 9 times that set #1 was tied, and 7 lead changes. Late in the set Hotchkiss had a 21-19 advantage, Andover rallied to a 23-22 lead, Hotchkiss countered to a 24-23 lead, and Andover managed to take the set at 26-24 on Katy Svec's serve. Set #2 had 5 times when the set was tied; after 12-12 though Hotchkiss took the lead for good, and a tied match at 1-1. Set #3 was pivotal, 7 times the set was in a tie, though it was not until 20-19 that Hotchkiss took the lead for the first time. Melissa Yan at the service line managed to tie it back up at 22-22 and give Andover a 2-point lead 24-22. Hotchkiss came back to tie it at 24-24. Cristina Mommsen served out the set at 26-24. Isabelle Engelsted took to the service line after a side-out, and served Andover into a 5-0 lead, which Andover would not give up again. Although Hotchkiss brought the score to within 3 points three more times, the set decidedly went Andover's way.

Thank you to Worcester Academy for hosting us at a neutral site and providing a trainer. Thanks to the parents and fans who traveled to Worcester to support the team.

Today's Andover stats leaders are:
Meghan McCafferty 13 kills, 2 stuff blocks, 5 blocks total
Melissa Yan 43 assists, and 4 aces
Melissa Yan and Isabelle Engelsted both have 15 service points
Cristina Mommsen with the most saves (20) and digs (28)

Andover hosts Deerfield this weekend (7-2 as of yesterday) for our first Saturday home game, and second home game this season.

Exeter

11/8/2008

Andover beat Exeter by a score of 3-0 (25-21, 25-17, 30-28). Exeter served first and immediately exposed the raw nerves of the Andover team. A new line-up forced by the absence of our starting setter, a crowd that made more noise than the coach's ears could bear, and a memory of last year's loss at the A/E games all contributed to uncharacteristic Andover mistakes that gave Exeter a quick 3-0 lead. Andover's Jamie Shenk '12 served four times to give Andover a brief lead at 5-3. From here the lead changed 4 more times before Exeter took a 5-point lead at 18-13; but thereafter Andover limited Exeter to a mere 3 side-out points, taking a crucial 1-0 set lead.

In set #2 Andover took the lead from the very first serve and would not relinquish it. At one point Andover lead 20-10, limiting Exeter to 6 service points for the entire set.

Set #3 Andover took a commanding lead of 13-6, though Exeter, as is so typical of their never-die-attitude, tied the set at 16-16. Andover again managed a lead of 20-17, only to see Exeter tie it at 22-22. Thereafter it became a battle to the bitter-sweet end. Exeter fended off two match points being down 23-24, and 25-26, and even procured a set-point for themselves at 28-27, though Andover managed to secure another side-out and serve two points for the match.

Credit goes to Andover's players: Isabelle Engelsted (Captain '09), Caroline Gattuso '09, Cristina Mommsen '09, Meghan McCafferty '10, Viola Rothschild '10, Katy Svec '10, Kemi Amurawaiye '11, Jamie Shenk '12, and to our bench.

The league's ranking and tournament-bound teams are: #1 Andover, #2 Hotchkiss, #3 Choate, #4, Exeter, #5 Deerfield, #6 Loomis, #7 Hopkins. Andover looks to receive a bye for the quarterfinals, and will play at Loomis on Saturday November 15th in the semis versus the winner of the Exeter/Deerfield match.

Many thanks to our loyal fans: returning alumni who have supported us via their e-mails, parents who come to the games or send their well-wishes from afar, as well as our local loyal fans. Many thanks also to our manager Peter Yang, to our unofficial yet ever-present manager Christian Anderson, and of course to Paulino Ortega, our gym custodian who takes care of our every need on the court.

Hotchkiss

11/15/2008

Congratulations to Hotchkiss on their Championship (again), and a heartfelt thank you to the Andover team for a terrific season. Even with the loss today, a battle of epic proportions, the season is a resounding success: declared #1 seed at the conclusion of the undefeated regular season, runner-up in the post-season championship, an overall record of 15-1, and best of all, a classy, fun group of players who have been the highlights of my Mon-Saturdays this fall term.

Andover held off Exeter's attack and converted their own successfully in three sets in our first match of the day. Seeing as the Andover coach left his clipboard with the Exeter scores in the Loomis gym (the third time that has happened), there are no specifics to be reported here.

Against Hotchkiss in the finals, Andover came out on fire. In the first set Andover limited Hotchkiss to a total of 6 service points: Hotchkiss did its part to hold Andover to 4 service points until a score of Hotchkiss leading 12-11; then Andover rattled off 5 straight service points by two consecutive servers, giving Andover a decisive win of the first set 25-16.

The second set was the turning point of the match: Hotchkiss sought revenge and went on a 13-3 tear after only three rotations. Andover managed to come back to tie the set at 18-18 with four more rotations. The score was again tied at 21-21; at 22-22 Andover went ahead to 24-22 for the first of 5 set points that Hotchkiss defended and overcame. Hotchkiss wins 29-27.

Now the score tied at 1 set a-piece, Hotchkiss found a rhythm Andover could not keep pace with in the third set; Andover scored a mere 4 service points. Hotchkiss wins 25-15.

In set #4, Andover again had to dig itself out of a hole, down by 6 points at 3-9 and again at 7-13. After being tied at 16-16 Hotchkiss went ahead 19-16; Andover staged its come-back taking the lead 20-19, dropped a point to Hotchkiss to 20-20 and went ahead again 23-20. Andover needed only 2 points to force a fifth, it was not meant to be...Hotchkiss served out the set and match 25-23, avenging their only loss earlier in the season.

Thanks to assistant coach V. Svec for his unbridled enthusiasm, his energy and love of the game; thanks to Paulino Ortega, our gym custodian, to Blaine Austin, the equipment manager, the entire training staff and front office of the athletic department for putting up with me (us). Thanks to the many loyal and appreciative fans who have followed our success from near and far; thanks to the parents who have traveled many miles during this season of mostly away games and provided us with countless goodies along the way. Thanks to my wife, boys and our dog who have patiently let me go every weekend since the first one in September.

Yours truly, signing off after season 2008
Coach CB

Yan, Engelsted, Mommsen and McCafferty Power Volleyball Offense

By Veronica Faller
PHILLIPIAN **SPORTS WRITER**

With the bitter taste of disappointment still strong in their mouths, the girls of the Volleyball team are itching for success.

Last season, the squad completed its season with a record of 10 wins and 4 losses. To cap off the season, Andover competed in an annual championship tournament hosted by Deerfield. The team lost in the quarterfinals to the number five seed, Choate Rosemary Hall.

Two seasons ago, Andover went undefeated with 16 wins. While last season's first loss to Hotchkiss was a disappointment to some, members of the team took it as motivation to work even harder.

Five team members graduated last spring, including Erica Bakies '08, Cassidy Carpenter '08, Michelle Hollebeke '08, Atima Lui '08 and Lauren Shevlin '08.

The new squad's roster is not yet finalized, but first cuts have already been made. There are seven returning members to the team.

Stephanie Xu '09 said, "We lost five girls, but we did get some really great new players this year who are definitely going to make an impact on the team.

They're so talented, and I think our team is stronger than last year.

What's just as exciting and important as the talent is that we really click as a team already, and having good team chemistry goes a long way!"

Coach Clyfe Beckwith believes that four players will be particularly outstanding on the starting rotation this year. Melissa Yan '10 will play setter.

She will be joined by Captain Isabelle Engelsted '09 as an opposite hitter, Cristina

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Christina Mommsen '09 (left) bumps to a teammate.

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Mommsen '09 as an outside hitter and Meghan McCafferty '10 as a middle hitter. All four of these girls are expected to be key players this season.

Coach Beckwith said, "This year's team is shaping up really well."

He continued, "While it's too early to know how we will compare to other perennially successful teams, it is safe to say that this year's squad has the makings equal to the Andover teams of 2003 and 2006 that went on to win championships."

Other players of the returning core are Katy Svec '10 and Xu, both defensive specialists, and Viola Rothschild '10 at net.

In praise of her teammate and captain, Rothschild commented, "Isabelle is an awesome captain on and off the court. She has helped the new players feel more comfortable, the returners get their footing again, and to really put together a solid volleyball team."

This season's first official practice took place on Tuesday. Coach Beckwith commented that "after first cuts and the return of new students who had attended orientation sessions, [practice] went better than expected with much enthusiasm and good teamwork."

Engelsted says she is excited for the season to begin: "We've had a really great preseason. There is a lot of team chemistry, and we are already starting to have some team bonding going on, which is a great thing."

The team begins its season this Saturday with a tournament held at Andover.

After Two More Wins, PA Still Undefeated

By Veronica Faller
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	2
Taft	1

Andover	2
NMH	0

Andover and Taft had more to lose than just a game last Saturday. Their undefeated titles were at stake. But Andover thrived under pressure, defeating the Taft squad 2-1.

In addition to playing Taft last Saturday, Andover also competed against Northfield Mount Hermon. The 2-0 win over NMH plus the victory over Taft improved Andover's record to 4-0.

Meghan McCafferty '10 played both sets and led the team with a grand total of five kills. In the first set, Caroline Gattuso '09 scored six out of seven service returns, the most returns of the match. In set two, Jamie Shenk '12 scored three aces on serves. McCafferty scored the most service points. The final score was 25-20 for set one, and 25-8 for set two.

In the game against Taft, Andover took an early lead of 2-4 during set one. Spectacular service by Cristina Mommsen '09, however, brought Andover back into contention at 7-4. Andover never fell behind again. In the words of Coach Clyfe Beckwith, the game was a surefire win, with Shenk "pounding a nail in their coffin" with six aces, powering the team to victory. The final score was 25-14.

Set two proved to be tougher for Andover. The squad committed 11 hitting errors and three service errors. After a tie at 2-2, Taft pulled into the lead at 10-5. Andover, however, fought long and hard, managing to tie the score after Melissa Yan '10 and Mommsen served three aces each. At one point, Andover had the lead at 13-12. The score flipped flopped back and forth and tied at 14, 15 and 16 points, but Taft pulled ahead to win the set, 19-25.

Set three completely belonged to Andover. McCafferty served five unanswered points for a solid 5-0 lead. After switching sides of the court at 8-4, Yan served one point. Mommsen and Captain Isabelle Engelsted '09 each served two points.

The Taft match was a battle, but as Engelsted said, "We were able to swing the momentum back on our side and win the third game. We pushed hard to win the final game and it paid off." After a side-out rally-scored point, Andover emerged the victor with a 15-6 win.

This Saturday the team travels to Connecticut to face Choate Rosemary Hall, another perennially tough opponent.

Mommsen '09 Propels Andover Past Choate with Performance

By Veronica Faller
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	**3**
Choate	**1**

With a season high of seventeen kills and 49 out of 56 defensive plays, Cristina Mommsen '09 led the Andover girl's volleyball squad to another victory. Andover beat an undefeated Choate Rosemary Hall 3-1, improving its overall season record to 5-0.

Andover anticipated the match against Choate to be a battle. Year after year, powerhouse Choate has proven to be worthy competition for Andover, and this match was no exception. Coach Clyfe Beckwith was pleased with the win but said, "This could easily have gone the other way too."

Andover fought hard to win game one. Choate had a four point lead at 5-9. Had it not been for Meghan McCafferty '10, Andover would have trailed even further behind. She stepped up to the service line at 12-15 and brought the score up to 16-15. Possession of the ball was traded back and forth with side outs a couple more times.

Choate managed to pull ahead once more at 17-20, but Mommsen executed seven unanswered serves to propel Andover to victory. Andover's stats for the game were remarkable, with 16 kills, five aces, and 13 defensive saves. The final score was 25-20.

Choate took the lead again in game two, leaving Andover trailing behind by six points at 0-6. Despite eight kills and four aces, Andover continued to fall behind for the rest of the match, trailing as much as ten points at 4-14 and again at 14-24. Choate convincingly won the game, tying the match at one game each. The final score was 16-25.

Andover took an early lead in game three, with Jamie Shenk '12 serving four points to catapult the team to a five point lead at 6-1. Throughout the first rotation, Choate scored points only on side-outs, enabling Andover to take a 13-5 lead. Choate forcefully came back into play with four unanswered service points, allowing Andover only five service points and six side-out points.

At 18-18, setter Melissa Yan '10 had to come off the court due to an injury. She was replaced by Shelby Carpenter '12, who scored an assist and then stepped up to the service line to bring Andover to the lead at 20-19 advantage. Alice Tao '11 and Caroline Colombo '09 also came on the court to play in the back row and front row, respectively. All three contributed critical assistance, a feat difficult to accomplish after coming off the bench. With a tied score of 23-23, Andover was able to obtain a side-out point. The winning point was scored by Captain Isabelle Engelsted '09, ending the game at 25-23.

During game four, Andover switched up its rotation to accommodate a 6-2 line-up, which involves two setters. Engelsted played back row setter, while Kemi Amurawaiye '12 stepped into Engelsted's usual role of opposite side hitter. With the score tied at 4-4, Andover managed to pull ahead by as much as five points. Choate, however, was not going to go down without a fight. The opposition continued to chip away at Andover's lead, but Andover prevailed. The team recorded nine kills, five aces, and 14 defensive saves. The final score was 25-18.

The Andover girls, however, realize that Choate's threat to their perfect season is not over. Last year, Andover also beat Choate during the regular playing season but then proceeded to lose in the quarterfinals at the end of season tournament.

Andover will play the currently 2-4 New Hampton School squad this Saturday.

PA Follows 3-0 Sweep with Win vs. Rival Exeter to Remain Undefeated

By Veronica Faller
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	3
New Hampton	0

Andover	1
Exeter	1

Tying for the highest number of blocks and stuffs, Meghan McCafferty '10 and Caroline Colombo '09 were part of the stellar team that took down rival Exeter 3-1 this Wednesday. Both recorded seven overall blocks and had six stuffs.

Last Saturday, the team traveled to New Hampton. Andover was the victor, convincingly winning the match 3-0. The scores of the three sets played were 25-7, 25-18, and 25-18, respectively.

Stat leaders of the day include McCafferty '10 with nine kills, Steph Xu '09 with seven aces and twelve service points, Colombo '09 with four blocks, Yan '10 with nineteen assists, and Katy Svec '10 with eighteen digs and saves.

In Andover's game on Wednesday against Exeter, the squad took an early lead and never relinquished it. Exeter nearly caught up, bringing the score to within one point at 14-15, but Andover never gave up the lead. Throughout the set, Andover won sixteen points off of serves and 9 rally-scored points off of side-outs. The set was easily won by Andover, with a final score of 25-16.

The score during set two was tied back and forth a multiple number of times, at 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, and 9 points, with both teams trading leads. Andover took a two point lead at 15-17. Exeter began to catch up, but Andover rounded out the match by winning eight straight points, creating the biggest gap in the score for the entire game. The final score was 25-18.

Set three saw a similar see-saw, with multiple ties throughout. Unfortunately, Andover lost their only game of the match. After Exeter stepped into the lead at 24-19 for the game point, Andover did manage to get a side-out point and win the serve. The single point, however, was not enough; Andover made an error, hitting a ball wide outside the court to have the game continue to a fourth set. The score of this set was 21-25.

The possession of the ball switched back and forth be-

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tween the two teams some more during set four, with the score tied at 2, 4 and 5. Exeter took an early lead at 8-6, but Andover rallied to bring its score up to a 10-8 lead. Determined to beat its archrival, Exeter went up again 12-11, but the team was no match for Andover which never gave up the lead from then on. Andover won the match 25-18.

Colombo said, "Everyone brought their A-game today. Exeter games are always tough, because no matter which team is 'better,' the game remains competitive to the last point."

She continued, "We were especially focused and energetic and pleased to win in the wake of last season's Exeter game, where we lost 3-0. Today, when we really got some spirit going, the whole team played brilliantly, especially in the second and fourth sets."

In addition to McCafferty and Colombo, another standout on the team includes Captain Isabelle Engelsted '09, leading the team with 15 kills. Yan '10 led in service aces, with three, and also in assists, with 37.

Cristina Mommsen '09 led offensively with 16 service points, and defensively in digs, with twenty-nine. Svec also led defensively, with 12 services received.

With these two wins, Andover remains undefeated with an overall season record of 7-0. Andover travels to Northfield Mount Hermon on Saturday and to Worcester on Wednesday to play an undefeated Hotchkiss team.

VOLLEYBALL

Andover Tops Hotchkiss

Team Continues Undefeated Season

By Veronica Faller
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	3
NMH	0

Andover	3
Hotchkiss	1

With a grand total of sixty-four assists this week, Melissa Yan '10 led the Andover Girls' Volleyball team to victory on Wednesday over a previously undefeated Hotchkiss team. Andover won decisively 3-1, improving its season record to 9-0 and remaining the single undefeated team in the league.

Hard hits and spectacular defense were seen on both sides of the net, and the scoreboard reflected the high-level of competition present throughout the match. Nevertheless, Andover was able to gain an advantage and defeat an impressive Hotchkiss squad.

Set number one was tied a total of nine times with seven lead changes. Trailing 21-19 late in the game, Andover

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managed to pull into the lead at 23-22. Hotchkiss refused to back down, however, and evened up the game at 24-24. With the game on the line, Katy Svec '10 stepped up to the service line to deliver the final blow. Her serve brought Andover to victory, with a final score of 26-24.

Set two was tied five times early on, but after the score was 12-12, Hotchkiss took control of the game's momentum. Andover fell behind and was unable to jumpstart a comeback, falling to Hotchkiss 17-25 to tie the match at 1 set each.

After another head-to-head third set, Hotchkiss finally took the lead at 20-19. Yan brought Andover back into contention with spectacular service, tying the score back up at 22-22. After the teams swapped points to tie the set at 24-24, Cristina Mommsen '09 stepped up to serve. She gave Andover the side-out point and finished serving in the set for Andover's victory.

During set four, Andover came out strong to take a 5-0 lead and refused to relinquish the lead for the remainder of the match. Hotchkiss never got closer than three points as Andover finished out the final set 25-16, giving the team the match victory.

Meghan McCafferty '10 led Andover with thirteen kills and two stuff blocks out of the team's five total blocks. Yan had forty-three assists as setter and four ace serves out of fifteen service points. Captain Isabelle Engelsted '09 had fifteen service points, and Mommsen led Andover's defense with twenty saves and twenty-eight digs.

This past Saturday Andover traveled to Northfield Mount Hermon and came out with a 3-0 victory. NMH proved to be a more worthy opponent than the first time the teams met earlier in the season, playing competitively in all three

Meghan McCafferty '10

Athlete of the Week

The Andover Girls' Volleyball team triumphed over powerhouse Hotchkiss this week, in its most crucial win of the season. Meghan McCafferty '10 played a pivotal role in the win. McCafferty plays the middle position, which was the single most important position in Wednesday's match-up. The middle players for Hotchkiss are all dynamic players, so McCafferty had to come up huge to help lead Andover to victory. *The Phillipian* talked with McCafferty about her volleyball career thus far.

Q: *How were you feeling going into Wednesday's match-up with Hotchkiss, one of the elite teams in New England, after not being able to play in last year's game due to injury?*

A: I was really nervous. Hotchkiss is the best team we play, and I knew we had to win to continue our momentum into the playoffs. I was just really excited to get out there, especially because my position of middle was going to be very crucial against Hotckiss' talented middle players.

Q: *Do you have a favorite player to play with?*

A: Two players: Melissa Yan '10 and Cristina Mommsen '09. Melissa and I both have been on the team together for a while and seem to just click. I love playing upfront with Cristina because she is so vocal and such a good competitor.

Q: *Did you have a mentor on the team when you were on varsity as a freshman?*

A: Dawson Joyce-Mendive '07, for sure. She was just an all around amazing player. She really helped me learn how to hit and block and just all around play the game in the New England Prep league. I definitely would not be the same player as I am now if it wasn't for her.

Q: *Did you get forced into volleyball because you were tall or was it a sport that you decided to play?*

A: I grew up around volleyball because my sister played in high school and in college. I always really liked just the energy surrounding the sport, and how in volleyball it is impossible to not win as a team. The height was certainly not the reason I started playing, it's just a factor that has helped my game a little bit.

Q: *What's your most memorable game with Andover?*

A: I've had so many great moments in my three years on the team, but I'd have to say Wednesday's game against Hotchkiss tops the list. We've kind of developed a rivalry with Hotchkiss – we beat them in the title game in 2006, but they won the championship last season. Hotchkiss was undefeated going into Wednesday's game, so we knew we needed a great effort if we wanted to take them down. The game was one of the most exciting ones I've ever played in and beating Hotchkiss has to go down as my most memorable game.

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Q: *What is the hardest part of playing in the middle?*

A: The hardest part is definitely the blocking. Blocking is one of the toughest skills to learn; you need to have great anticipation and be able to get a hand on the ball. It's a hard skill but when a block works and the ball falls on the other side of the net, it's the best feeling in volleyball.

Q: *How do you train for volleyball during the off-season?*

A: I've played club volleyball since 5th grade. Currently, I play on Latitude 42, a club team, with Cristina Mommsen '09 and Isabelle Engelsted '09. We play pretty much straight from January to May, practicing two or three times a week with a tournament every weekend.

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VOLLEYBALL

Volleyball Remains Unbeaten

All-Stars Lead Team to Decisive Victories

By Veronica Faller
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	3
Deerfield	0

Andover	3
St. Paul's	1

Cristina Mommsen '09, Captain Isabelle Engelsted '09, Melissa Yan '10, and Meghan McCafferty '10 led the way as Andover preserved its perfect season. The team bested both Deerfield Academy on Saturday and St. Paul's School on Wednesday, improving its season record to 11-0.

On Saturday, amidst a crowd of cheering fans, Andover played an impressive Parents' Weekend game. All players received playing time. Andover easily secured the win in three sets, taking each 25-15, 25-17, and 26-24, respectively.

Mommsen led the team with 10 kills, closely followed by Engelsted with nine.

Yan garnered 27assists as setter. Stephanie Xu '09 had 10 service points and three aces, and Kemi Amurawaiye '12 had five blocks.

Jamie Shenk '12 led Andover's defense with 21 digs.

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This Wednesday, Andover traveled to Concord, New Hampshire, to play St. Paul's. Andover triumphed, playing four sets and winning the match 3-1. The final scores of each set were 25-18, 23-25, 25-13, and 25-17, respectively.

While St. Paul's is usually a comfortable win, Andover lost the second set.

In the second set, Andover boasted an unusual lineup, with Mommsen setting. Mommsen said, "We hope to improve upon this rotation in the upcoming week. The reason for the change is the absence of Melissa Yan, our setter, for the Andover-Exeter rivalry match-up in a week."

Caroline Colombo '09 continued, "The third set, however, we played our game, and St. Paul's managed to give us a great second half of the match."

Mommsen once again led the team with fifteen kills and thirteen saves. Yan had thirty-six assists. Shenk had seventeen service points and four aces, and McCafferty had ten blocks, six of which were stuffs. Katy Svec '10 and Engelsted led defensively with nineteen digs each.

The team has come a long way this season.

Engelsted said, "We have learned how each other plays and have found a rhythm of our own. Both our offense and defense has improved dramatically as we work together. We hope to finish our season playing strong."

Mommsen added, "We are moving forward with bittersweet emotions to the end of our regular season. Our team will continue to work hard and fight for the title. We always need to bring our A-game, knowing that other teams facing us play with fearless emotions, leaving everything on the court because they have nothing to lose."

This coming Sunday, select Andover players will compete in the All Star Tournament of the New England Prep School Fall Girls Volleyball Association (NEPSF-GVA) at Wilbraham Monson. As a top-three ranked team, Andover will be allowed to send four representatives to the tournament: Mommsen, 2007 MVP of the league, Engelsted, Boston Globe All Star 2007, Yan, and McCafferty.

Currently, as the only undefeated team in the league, the Andover squad is ranked number one.

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Cristina Mommsen '09 prepares for a spike.

PA Extends Unbeaten Streak to 12 ; Mommsen '09 Provides Seven Kills

By Veronica Faller
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	**3**
Worcester	**0**

Freshman Jamie Shenk '12 starred at the service line this Wednesday, firing 12 aces out of 16 service points in Andover's victory against Worcester Academy. Andover remained undefeated after topping Worcester Academy 3-0.

During the first set, Worcester kept the score even, tying it at 7-7. However, Katy Svec '10 served out five straight points, powering Andover to a 13-7 lead. Shenk displayed her finesse at the service line next. Her six service points brought Andover's lead to 21-8. Andover won the set convincingly, 25-9.

Thanks to Shenk's serve, Andover snatched an early lead during the second set. Andover exhibited particularly strong defense throughout the set and cruised to a 25-12 win.

Andover used the third set as an opportunity to experiment with new lineups on the floor. Once again, Worcester was limited to a mere two service points. This time, Shelby Carpenter '12 and Caroline Gattuso '09 dazzled at the service line, with an impressive seven and six service points, respectively. Andover secured the match with a 25-11 win.

In addition to Shenk's service record, Cristina Mommsen '09 led the team in kills, with seven overall. Captian Isabelle Engelsted '09 had four assists as setter, while Carpenter added four assists as setter.

This past Sunday at Wilbraham-Monson Academy, Engelsted, Mommsen, Meghan McCafferty '10 and Melissa Yan '10 represented Phillips Academy Andover at the All Star tournament of the New England Prep School Fall Girls Volleyball Association (NEPSFGVA). Teams from all over New England were represented at the tournament. As one of the top three seeds, Andover sent four representatives. The tournament was played with two pools of three teams. Each team played the teams in its own pool. The winners went on to play in the championship round, and the second place teams went on to play a consolation game. The Andover girls were all on different teams. McCafferty and Mommsen made it to the championship round, where Mommsen's team prevailed.

McCafferty said that her experience at the tournament was "really great. Everyone had no idea who anyone else was because we were from all different teams, but we had a lot of team chemistry, and even though we didn't have the best players in the tournament, we ended up making it to the championship round."

Engelsted, Mommsen and McCafferty were voted onto the team of 13 All-Stars of the league out of a pool of 38 teams and growing. Coach Clyfe Beckwith, who coached one of the teams at the tournament, proudly stated that "to have three PA students on the team is a big honor."

The Andover squad still remains the only undefeated team in its league. The team has an overall season record of 12-0, but this Saturday's game against Exeter should prove to be a nail-biter.

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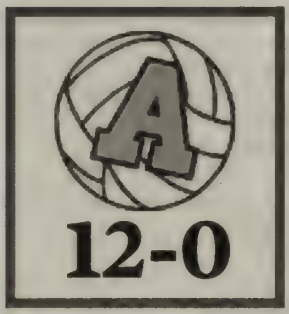
Rotchschild '10 and Engelsted '09 jump to spike the ball.

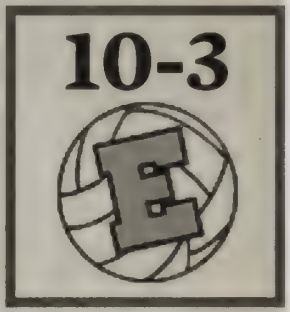
Volleyball:

Last Three Meetings: 2007: 0-3 (L)
2006: 3-0 (W)
2005: 3–1 (W)



Andover's perfect season will be on the line against Exeter on Saturday. Highlighted by a marquee win over Hotchkiss, the team has for the most part steamrolled its opponents. Led by Cristina Mommsen '09 and Captain Isabelle Engelsted '09, the team hopes to top a talented Exeter squad to enter the postseason tournament at a perfect 13-0.

Know Your Opponent:
Exeter fell to Andover 3-1 in an October match, but has only dropped one game in an undefeated stretch since the loss. Captain Talia Bolnick '09 has proved to be deadly at putting points away for Exeter, tallying 69 kills. Olivia Fankuchen '09 leads the team with her services, recording 31 aces and a total of 96 points won on her serve.



Volleyball Finishes Undefeated; Dominates First Round of Playoffs

By Veronica Faller
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	3
Exeter	0
Andover	3
Exeter	0

The Andover Girls Volleyball team remains undefeated after its victories over Exeter on Saturday and St. Paul's on Wednesday.

Andover had to deal with nerves going into the Exeter game, with the memory of last year's loss fresh in mind. The absence of starting setter Melissa Yan '10 forced Andover to work with a new line-up. Despite uncharacteristic service and net errors and a sometimes unruly crowd of spectators, Andover emerged the victor after three sets of pure determination.

During set one, Andover got off to a shaky start. Exeter started with the serve and quickly gained a three point lead at 3-0. Jamie Shenk '12 stepped up to the service line to serve four times after a side-out to give Andover a brief lead at 5-3. Exeter then broke away from Andover, taking a five point lead at 18-13. Andover, however, was ruthless in both its offense and defense and got back into the swing of the game, letting Exeter have only three side-out points. Andover won the set 25-21.

As the match went on, the Andover team played even better. In set two, Andover took the lead from the very beginning and never relinquished it. At one point, Exeter trailed Andover by 10 points at 20-10. The opposing team only had six service points for the entire set. Andover convincingly asserted its dominance on the court, with a final score of 25-17, bringing the match to 2-0.

In the third set, Andover immediately took a seven point lead at 13-6, but the Exeter team displayed its never-die attitude and fought hard to bring the score back up to a 16-16 tie. Ris-

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Katy Svec '10 bumps to a teammate for a set.

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ing to the challenge, Andover managed to gain the lead at 20-17, but Exeter again brought the score to a tie at 22-22.

The game went over 25 points because the winning team had to win by two points. Twice Andover had the advantage, at 24-23 and 26-25, and twice Andover was thwarted by Exeter. Exeter even took the advantage at 27-28, but Andover secured the side-out point and served two more to win the match 30-28 and the game 3-0.

This Wednesday, Andover hosted St. Paul's for the league quarterfinals. Andover won decisively, and the final scores of the three sets were 25-11, 25-14, and 25-16, respectively.

St. Paul's never got more than six service points each set. Set one saw a tie at 6-6, but Yan brought the score up with three service points, followed by four service points from Meghan McCafferty '10 and six service points from Shenk.

During set 2, Cristina Mommsen '09 had three and four consecutive service points after St. Paul's brought the score to within three points at 9-12. Andover took the lead at 9-6, but St. Paul's soon caught up to take the lead for the first time at 10-11. St. Paul's was no match for Yan's and Captain Isabelle Engelsted's '09 serves, however.

The Andover team has a great shot at winning the title this year. It is currently the top seed for its league as the only undefeated team. Andover will advance to the semifinals, with a match at Loomis next Saturday against the winner of the Exeter/Deerfield match.

Volleyball Ends Season In Dramatic Loss

By Veronica Faller
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Andover	3
Exeter	0

Hotchkiss	3
Andover	1

Andover swept Exeter 3-0 in the semifinals of the NEPSGVA tournament this Saturday, which took place in Windsor, Connecticut. Andover fell to an impressive Hotchkiss team in the championship match, however, taking home second place after losing their first match of the season.

The final four teams that qualified for the championship tournament were Andover, Exeter, Hotchkiss and Loomis.

The team, who entered the tournament with an undefeated regular season, came out strong against Exeter. Andover was able to defeat Exeter in three sets, holding off the Exeter attack quite successfully. The final scores of the three sets were 25-12, 25-12 and 25-18, respectfully.

Andover then played Hotchkiss in the final game of the tournament, who were the victors of the other semifinal round against Loomis 3-1. The game was a true representation of the top two teams in the league, as the single Hotchkiss loss in its season came against Andover.

Despite Andover's fiery determination to take the title this year, Hotchkiss repeated last year's display of finesse and emerged the champion.

During set one of the match, which Clyfe Beckwith referred to as "a battle of epic proportions," Andover started off strong, and Hotchkiss only scored a total of six service points.

The Andover squad only had four service points, with Hotchkiss leading slightly by one point at 12-11, but Andover gained five straight service points by two consecutive serves. The first set was won decisively by Andover, with a score of 25-16.

Set two was in many ways the turning point of the match. Hotchkiss went up by ten points at 3-13 after only three rotations. Andover responded with an amazing comeback, however, bringing the score to a tie at 18-18 after four more rotations.

The score was tied twice more at 21-21 and 22-22. Then, Andover went ahead to 24-22 for the first of five overtime points that Hotchkiss defended and overcame. Hotchkiss won the incredible set 29-27.

With the score tied at one set apiece, Hotchkiss settled into a rhythm that Andover could not match. With only four service points in set three, Andover fell to Hotchkiss once again. The final score was 15-25.

Andover had to get out of a sticky situation during set four, with Hotchkiss at an early lead of 3-9. The Andover team never gave up, however, managing to bring the score to a tie at 16-16.

The back-and-forth game continued as the relentless Hotchkiss squad went ahead 19-16. Andover then staged yet another comeback, taking the lead at 20-19. Hotchkiss tied the score at 20-20 and then scored three more points to go ahead 23-20.

Andover brought the score up once more and needed a mere two points to go to a fifth game. But the game—and the terrific season—fell out of reach when Hotchkiss served out the set and the match, winning 25-23 and taking vengeance on their only loss earlier during the season.

"We had a great season overall," said Captain Isabelle Engelsted '09. "The game against Hotchkiss was a little different. We came out strong, but Hotchkiss came out stronger. They are a good team and proved to be the better team that day."

Captain Isabelle Englested '09

Volleyball

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There are a lot of things that can go wrong throughout an entire volleyball season. Players get sick, teammates get injured and opponents can prove too formidable. None of these normal ailments that cripple most teams, however, seemed to distract Captain Isabelle Engelsted '09 and the Andover Volleyball team in their dogged pursuit of an undefeated 2008 regular season. With her constant leadership and terrific play, Engelsted is a *Phillipian* Sports Athlete of the Term.

None of Andover's success this season would have been possible without the brilliant leadership displayed by Engelsted on and off the court. Andover achieved its goal of a perfect regular season in a final triumph over Exeter, 3-0, to finish off the year at 14-0. In the NEPSGVA Tournament, Andover beat Exeter yet again in the semifinals before falling to a strong Hotchkiss squad in the championship game for a second-place finish.

According to Engelsted, team chemistry was the key to Andover's incredible season. "We all got along on and off the court," she said. "From the very start, we came together as a team and never looked back."

Ask any teammate, and they will all say the same thing: no one was more responsible for this flawless team chemistry than Engelsted. In preseason, she helped unite her team toward success.

"Isabelle really took me under her wing and made me feel comfortable in the new environment with new people and coaches," said Jamie Shenk '12. "Without Isabelle, our team most likely wouldn't have gelled together as quickly."

Melissa Yan '10, who has played with Engelsted for the past two seasons, also confirmed Engelsted's crucial presence on the team. "Isabelle always has something constructive to say to pump up the team," said Yan. "Our team worked well together because of her. She was the glue of our team. Without her, practice just felt different."

Apart from her talent for bringing together her teammates, Engelsted also flourished in leading by example. With a sharp serve and constant awareness on the court, Engelsted showed her skills as a player as well as a leader.

"On the court Isabelle is a great player," said Viola Rothschild '10. "She always plays smart, and she is incredibly versatile, hitting opposite and serving as an impromptu setter during Andover/Exeter."

Engelsted was clearly the leader of the team, but she also received great support from Cristina Mommsen '09. Both Mommsen and Englested were two of the most dominating players in New England throughout the season. They both played unbelievably together and had an innate ability to find each other on the floor.

Mommsen was also key in her leadership roles with the team. She constantly motivated the squad through every practice and every point of each match.

> *"She always plays smart, and she is incredibly versatile, hitting opposite and serving as an impromptu setter during Andover/Exeter."*

The memory that sticks out most to Engelsted was not a personal accomplishment, however, but a moment of pride for her team. Andover worked hard all week in anticipation for a big midseason match-up against Hotchkiss, the defending league champions. The game was similarly hard-fought, and Andover prevailed with a resounding 3-1 victory.

"I just remember the moment we finally beat them," said Engelsted. "After our preparation all week, the moment we beat them was incredibly satisfying."

Engelsted exhibited some of her best play in the Hotchkiss victory, as she recorded 15 service points on the day.

Another season highlight for Engelsted occurred during the Deerfield game, where she nailed down nine kills in front of a packed crowd on Parents' Weekend.

It was moments like these that became commonplace for Engelsted and the Andover team. Despite Andover's championship game loss, Andover's undefeated regular season will stand in the history books.

Even with a strong nucleus of players set to return in 2009, it will not be easy for Andover to replace the steady leadership and tremendous backcourt serving provided by Engelsted.

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Sport: Boys Waterpolo

Year: 2008

Captain: William Faulkner

Coach: David Fox

Assistant Coach: J. T. Brogan

Season Record

Won 11 Lost 6 Tied 0

Fifth at Interschols

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Larry Zhou
Dan Larson
Andrew Fraser
James Martino
Curtis Hon
Will Falk-Wallace
Asa Harrington

Parker Washburn
Brendan Deveney
Conor McAuliffe
Matt Mahoney
Alex Smachlo
Ben Morris
Conor Deveney
Austen Novis

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Boys' Waterpolo
Varsity - 2008

Cap	Name	Year	Hometown
1 & 2	William Faulkner (C)	2009	Homer, AK
1A	Larry Zhou	2009	Buffalo, NY
1B & 13	Dan Larson	2011	Darien, CT
3	Andrew Fraser	2010	Greenwich, CT
4	James Martino	2009	Laconia, NH
5	Curtis Hon	2010	Burlington, MA
6	Will Falk-Wallace	2010	New York City, NY
7	Asa Harrington	2009	Boulder, CO
8	Parker Washburn	2009	Andover, MA
9	Brendan Deveney	2009	Newtown, CT
10	Conor McAuliffe	2010	Andover, MA
12	Matt Mahoney	2011	Nashua, NH
14	Alex Smachlo	2011	Rexford, NY
15	Ben Morris	2011	Andover, MA
16	Conor Deveney	2011	Newtown, CT
17	Austen Novis	2011	Jamestown, RI

Coaches: David Fox, & J. T. Brogan

Managers: Taylor Clarke & Jen Oesterling

Schedule and Record

Record: 11/6/0

DATE/TIME	OPPONENT	H/A	TYPE	SCORE
9/13 @ 1:30 PM	N.M.H.		Game	W 20-6
9/13 @ 3:00 PM	Deerfield		Game	L 6-8
9/17 @ 4:15 PM	Exeter		Game	W 9-8
9/20 @ 3:00 PM	Suffield	H	Game	L 6-18
9/20 @ 3:15 PM	Loomis		Game	W 8-6
9/27 @ 2:30 PM	Williston		Game	W 5-2
9/27 @ 4:00 PM	Hotchkiss		Game	W 5-1
10/1 @ 3:30 PM	Suffield		Game	L 4-11
10/4 @ 4:45 PM	Hopkins		Game	W 11-4
10/4 @ 6:00 PM	Choate		Game	L 4-11
10/11 @ 12:15 PM	Loomis	H	Game	W 13-12
10/11 @ 3:00 PM	St. John's	H	Game	W 18-6
10/18 @ 3:00 PM	N.M.H.		Game	W 16-3
10/22 @ 3:45 PM	St. John's Prep	H	Game	W 18-8
10/25 @ 3:15 PM	Deerfield	H	Game	W 7-5
10/29 @ 3:00 PM	Exeter	H	Game	L 8-10
11/5 @ 3:30 PM	Tournament Play-In		Tournament	L 8-10
11/8 @ 11:00 AM	Interschols		Game	5th Place

Exeter

9/17/2008

Andover defeated Exeter for the first time since November 1994. The first quarter ended 3-0 Andover on goals by Curtis Hon '10, Brendan Deveney '09, and Parker Washburn '09 as well as outstanding defense by Conor McAuliffe '10, Asa Harrington '09, and James Martino '09. Exeter came back to score two goals in the second quarter, which ended 3-2 Andover. After some offensive adjustments during the halftime, Andover outscored Exeter 3-2 in the third quarter for a score of 6-4. This was the result of four saves by Captain and Goalkeeper William Faulkner '09, steals by Andrew Fraser '10 and Matt Mahoney '11, as well as another goal by Deveney and two by Washburn. At this point, a combination of excitement and trepidation came on, and Exeter scored two unanswered goals in the fourth, which led to the third overtime match in the last five meetings between Andover and Exeter.

Overtime in water polo consists of two, three-minute periods. In the first one, Exeter's offense came alive, despite two more saves by Faulkner and outstanding team defense. Giving Hon a much-needed rest, Will Falk-Wallace '10 substituted into the game and scored. At the end of the first period of overtime, Exeter led 8-7. Halfway through the second period of overtime, Washburn again scored. With just a few seconds left in the game, it appeared as though the game would need to enter Sudden Death overtime to determine a winner. But with literally one second remaining in the game, Washburn again scored from the perimeter, giving Andover a 9-8 win over the Big Red Machine.

The teams will face each other again at home on Wednesday, October 29th.

Loomis and Suffield

9/20/2008

On Saturday, the Boy's Water Polo Team, now refocused after its historic win against Exeter, traveled to Windsor for games against Loomis and Suffield. Missing two of six starters, Andover's goal for the weekend was to at least split the games 1-1.

Loomis was first, and Andover concluded the first quarter up 3-2 on goals from Will Falk-Wallace '10, Conor McAuliffe '10, and Matt Mahoney '11 as well as on three saves by shallow-end goalkeeper Dan Larson '11. In the second quarter, now attacking the shallow-end goal while defending the deep-end goal, a more difficult prospect, Andover made a few defensive lapses and allowed Loomis to establish a strong counterattack. Despite steals by Brendan Deveney '09 and Asa Harrington '09 as well as two saves by Captain and Goalkeeper William Faulkner '09, Andover was shut out in the second quarter and entered halftime down 3-5.

Because of the competitiveness of the game, Andover relied on the services of only one substitute during the game. Despite exhaustion, Andover rebounded after the half and scored four unanswered goals in the third quarter. While Larson continued to have a strong game in the cage, the offensive production was led by Harrington with two goals, Deveney, and Andrew Fraser '10. Entering the final quarter up 7-5, Andover again defended the deep-end goal, but this time, the defense held Loomis to only one goal, and Faulkner made another four saves, including a block of a 5-meter penalty shot. Harrington concluded a hat-trick, and Andover finished the game with an 8-6 win.

Twenty-minutes after the much-needed win, Andover was back in the pool facing perennial powerhouse Suffield. Suffield began the game with a blistering counterattack and led 5-0 at the end of the first quarter. The onslaught continued in the second quarter as Andover defended the deep-end of the pool with Suffield scoring an additional eight goals while Falk-Wallace and Mahoney each scored one. The game slowed down in the second half with rookies Conor Deveney '11, Alex Smachlo '11, Ben Morris '11, and Austen Novis '11 each gaining some valuable experience behind leadership from McAuliffe, Curtis Hon '10, and Fraser. In the fourth quarter, Larry Zhou '09 made two saves in the goal while starting Goalkeeper and Captain William Faulkner '09 scored two goals as a field player.

Andover looks forward to a good week of practice as it focuses on the weaknesses exposed in the Suffield game and looks forward to playing Hotchkiss and Wiliston this Saturday.

Suffield

10/1/2008

Ten days after their first meeting, Andover and Suffield met on Wednesday afternoon at home. Once again, Suffield proved to be a strong opponent, establishing an effective counterattack and driving offense that created a 7-0 lead at the end of the first half. Unfortunately for Andover, both Parker Wasburn '09, who missed the first meeting between the two, and Asa Harrington '09 earned three personal fouls in the first half and were finished for the game.

Thirteen seconds into the second half, Conor McAuliffe '10 scored Andover's first goal of the game. After giving up two more goals to Suffield, the Andover defense finally began to handle Suffield's attack, limiting their offense to only two more goals through the last twelve minutes of the game. In the fourth period, Curtis Hon '10 scored two goals, and Brendan Deveney '09 scored one.

Looking to the weekend against Choate and Hopkins, Andover will focus on defending the drive during its practices Thursday and Friday.

Loomis
10/11/2008

In a rematch of a 20 September game, Andover barely fought off an inspired Loomis squad looking to boost its league record to .500. Since starters Parker Washburn '09 and James Martino '09 both missed the first meeting between the teams, which Andover won 8-6, the Blue may have approached the game a bit lightly, and Loomis was well prepared to take advantage. After an opening goal from Center-Forward Curtis Hon '10, Loomis quickly responded. Sixteen seconds later, Conor McAuliffe '10 scored, and neither team scored in the last 4:43 of the first quarter.

Twenty-one seconds into the second quarter, Loomis scored on a power play, tying the game 2-2. One minute later, McAuliffe scored his second goal, but Loomis answered twelve seconds later. After Andover failed to convert two power plays, Loomis scored again to take its first lead of the game. Fourteen seconds later, Washburn scored his first goal of the game. Loomis scored again to enter the halftime with a 5-4 lead.

With 5:21 left in the third quarter, Andrew Fraser '10 scored on a counterattack. Loomis scored one minute later; Hon responded on the next possession; and Loomis scored on the following possession. In the last 3:30 of the third quarter, both defenses strengthened, particularly Andover's behind several blocks from Captain and Goalkeeper William Faulkner '09. At the end of the third, Loomis led 7-6.

For the 100+ spectators, the fourth quarter was spectacular. A pattern quickly developed: Andover would tie and Loomis would score again. This happened three times in the first 6:17 of the period on goals from Hon, Asa Harrinton '09, and Washburn. Fortunately for Andover, Loomis was unable to answer the fourth tying goal of the period, by McAuliffe with :43 left in the game. With a score of 10-10 at the end of regulation, Andover entered its second overtime game of the year.

In the first of two three-minute overtime periods, Loomis scored first, but Washburn answered on the next possession. With :17 left in the period, Loomis again took the lead, but Harrington responded with :03 remaining. The second overtime period saw a resurgence of good defense; this time led by shallow-end goalkeeper Dan Larson '11. It looked like the two teams would have to enter a sudden-death overtime period, but with :11 remaining in the game, Washburn scored his fourth goal of the game, giving Andover its first lead since 90 seconds into the second quarter.

Interschols
11/8/2008

After losing to Exeter 8-10 in the quarterfinals on Wednesday, the Andover Boys' Water Polo Team faced Williston in the second round of the New England Championship Tournament. At the end of the first quarter, Andover led 7-2 on goals from Curtis Hon '10, Asa Harrington '09, Parker Washburn '09, Brendan Deveney '09, and three from Conor McAuliffe '10. Andover's defense, led by Captain and Goalkeeper William

Faulkner '09, continued to dominate in the second quarter, limiting Williston to two more goals while the offense continued to produce: Washburn and Deveney each had two more goals while Matt Mahoney '11 added two of his own. In the third quarter, Andrew Fraser '10 scored while Harrington added one and Hon added two more to their totals. In the fourth quarter, Deveney and Washburn both scored again, giving the Big Blue a 19-7 win.

With its victory over Williston in the second round of the New England Championship Tournament, the Andover Boys' Water Polo Team faced Loomis in the fifth-place game. Earlier in the season, Andover twice defeated Loomis in close games, so both teams were eager to face each other one more time. Building on its momentum from the first game of the day, Andover jumped out to an early lead and led at the half 3-2 on goals two goals from Brendan Deveney '09 and one from James Martino '09. Both Curtis Hon '10 and Conor McAuliffe '10 scored in the third period while Captain and Goalkeeper William Faulkner '09 recorded several saves. In the fourth quarter, Faulkner made another four saves--bringing his game total to eleven--and Parker Washburn '09 and Deveney each scored. Andover won the game 7-4.

With its fifth-place finish, Andover improves significantly on its eighth-place finish from 2007. While the team was disappointed to have played poorly in the critical second quarter for the quarterfinal, it is pleased to finish the season with victories over the teams that finished third (Exeter) and first (Deerfield). Andover graduates two-time captain and four-year starting goalkeeper William Faulkner, center-forward defender Parker Washburn, defensive specialist James Martino, utility player Asa Harrington, back-up goalkeeper Larry Zhou, and offensive spark Brendan Deveney. Despite these heavy losses, Andover will return next season expecting to continue improving.

Captain Faulkner Provides Stability and Experience in Net

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Faulkner '09, the team welcomes back 18 of the 22 varsity members. With seven members of the 2009 graduating class, five from the 2010 class, and six from the 2011 class all returning, this year's team has tremendous depth.

The team already has a stalwart defense including Parker Washburn '09, Brendan Deveney '09 and Larry Zhou '09 and a steady goalie in Captain Faulkner.

The new players look to complement the young, developing players on the offense such as Curtis Hon '10 and Matthew Mahoney '11.

Although the 2007 season was a particularly difficult and frustrating one for the team, the players believe this season will bring success and many wins.

Hon '10, one of the keys to the team's potential success this year, said, "Our team already seems to be better than last year at this point in the season, and we look to improve even further." Andover looks to duplicate the flash of talent and success they showed last year, when the team won three straight games near the end of the season.

With new maturity and increased skills in each player, Andover hopes to make it back to the New England Championships. The team opens its season on Saturday with games against NMH and Deerfield.

A.LEVINE/ *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Brendan Deveney '09 looks to pass to a teammate during practice.

WATER POLO

Andover Seeks Comeback

Developing Team Looks for Wins

By Nathan Wagner
PHILLIPIAN **SPORTS WRITER**

After a dominating 2006 season that saw the Boys Varsity Water Polo team win 14 of its 17 games and finish second in the New England Championships, the 2007 team was plagued by inexperience.

After a year of rebuilding, this year's water polo team appears to have the talent and game experience to regain success for the Andover program.

The graduation of the 2006 seniors enabled the 2007 varsity players to occupy key positions on the team.

Last year, the team focused on developing and giving underclassmen playing time and experience.

The 2007 team started off slowly, hitting a tough stretch, but showed bright spots, talent and team unity, winning three in a row near the end of the season.

Eventually, the team finished with five wins in 15 games.

Now, a young, growing team looks to steadily improve on its 2007 season and to make large strides in the upcoming season.

Led by Captain William

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Strong Goaltending Helps Water Polo Sweep Saturday Doubleheader

By Nathan Wagner
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

The Boys Water Polo team caught fire on Saturday, limiting Williston and Hotchkiss to a combined three goals and winning 5-2 and 5-1, respectively.

However, on Wednesday, Andover lost to a talented Suffield team, 11-4.

For the first game of the Saturday doubleheader, the team faced Williston, an overall solid unit.

Williston had the fifth best record in the league before the game, compared to Andover's fourth best record in the league. These teams were evenly matched, and the game remained close.

Although Andover was in command for most of the first half, the team trailed Williston 2-1 at the end of the second quarter on a goal by Andrew Fraser '10.

Despite the team's low shooting percentage, the game stayed within reach, and Andover made its chances count in the second half. Fraser again had a strong impact in the third quarter, scoring another goal to tie the game.

After Fraser's second goal, the rest of the game was dominated by Andover. The fourth quarter proved to be Williston's undoing, as they surrendered three goals.

James Martino '09, Asa Harrington '09 and Parker Washburn '09 each scored once to secure the game and the win.

Brendan Deveney '09 played extremely well on defense, racking up seven steals in the whole game.

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M. DISCENZA/ *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Captain William Faulkner '09 elevates above the water to block a shot on Wednesday.

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Also, Andover's goalkeeping remains one of its strongest parts, due to the solid play and leadership of goalies Captain William Faulkner '09 and Dan Larson '11.

Just 20 minutes later, Andover took on a talented Hotchkiss team. The team looked to play tough defense against its opponents, perennial playoff contenders in the league.

This time, Andover wasted no time in taking the lead as Washburn scored his second goal of the day on the first possession.

From there, Andover held its lead thanks to more strong play from the defense.

Washburn completed the hat trick against Hotchkiss, tallying four goals on the day.

Harrington and Deveney each added goals to secure the win. Hotchkiss only managed one goal against the defense of Andover, losing 5-1.

The Water Polo team's young players got some playing time, giving them some key in-game experience.

On Wednesday, Andover hosted a Suffield team that beat them earlier this season.

Once again, Suffield's offense found the net early in the game.

Although Captain Faulkner had some nice saves, Suffield led 7-0 at the end of the second quarter.

The start of the second half proved to be better for the Andover squad.

Andover began putting points on the board, and Coach David Fox took the opportunity to give his young players some in-game experience against a very strong team. These players included, Austen Novis '11, Conor Deveney '11, Ben Morris '11 and Alex Smachlo '11 played in the second half.

Andover finished out its game out on a high note, moving the ball around better and outscoring Suffield 3-1 in the final quarter.

Though the team is still maturing and finding its full potential, it has already found a lot of success so far this season. Andover plays Choate and Hopkins this Saturday.

Y. WATANABE/ *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Brendan Deveney '09 passes the ball past a Suffield defender.

Waterpolo Splits Doubleheader; Washburn '09 Scores Seven Goals

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Led by a spectacular seven-goal effort from Parker Washburn '09, the Andover Boys Water Polo team split its Saturday doubleheader against Hopkins and Choate. Andover defeated Hopkins 11-4 and suffered a tough loss to a talented Choate team, 4-11.

Thanks to strong defense and a fast start, the Water Polo team easily handled Hopkins in the first game of its doubleheader.

Andrew Fraser '10, who has emerged as a star and strong player for the team, scored the first two goals of the game for Andover.

Andover's defense set a strong tone for the second quarter, as Captain Goalkeeper William Faulkner '09 blocked two shots.

Matthew Mahoney '11 and Asa Harrington '09 both played stalwart defense and recorded steals in the quarter.

Brendan Deveney '09 scored a goal that brought Andover's lead up to three goals.

After two goals by Conor McAuliffe '10 and a hat trick by Washburn, Andover jumped out to an 8-1 lead at the half.

The comfortable first half lead allowed Coach David Fox to play his younger team members for long durations during the second half.

Goalkeepers Dan Larson '11 and Larry Zhou '09 played very well in the second half and each put in a solid performance. Varsity rookies Conor Deveney '11, Ben Morris '11, Alex Smachlo '11 and Austen Novis '11 all saw some good minutes and received valuable experience for the future.

Novis capitalized on his time in the pool, tallying a goal to increase Andover's lead.

Washburn carried his great first half performance over and dominated again, scoring two more goals in the second half, finishing with five goals for the game.

Andover finished strong, winning handily over Hopkins, 11-4.

After a confidence-building win over Hopkins, the Boys Varsity Water Polo team then faced Choate, a team with the second best record in the league.

With an extremely talented starting lineup including an excellent goalkeeper, Choate took advantage of some early Andover mistakes.

The normally sharp defense of Andover made some mistakes early on, leading to goals for the opponent. Choate quickly put four shots in the net, two coming on Andover errors.

Andover bounced back for a little bit in the second quarter, scoring on goals from Washburn and Curtis Hon '10.

However, Choate rebounded and exposed the Andover defense yet again, racking up three more goals. At the half, the scoreboard read 7-2 in favor of Choate.

During halftime, Andover made several key adjustments. Andover was only outscored 4-2 in the entire second half, thanks in part to Larson's strong play.

Larson blocked four shots and made a steal, leading to a goal from Harrington. Faulkner played inspired defense in goal during the final quarter, blocking four shots. Washburn scored his second goal of the game and seventh on the day.

Coach Fox was pleased with his team's strong efforts on Saturday, dominating Hopkins and playing competitively with a talented Choate team.

Andover plays St. John's Prep and Loomis this upcoming Saturday.

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Curtis Hon '10 shoots over a St. John's Prep defender on Saturday.

WATER POLO

Andover's Saturday 2-0 Sweep Lifts Water Polo's Record to 8-4

By Nathan Wagner
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Andover	13
Loomis	12
Andover	18
St. Paul's	8

Led by a spectacular eleven-goal performance by Parker Washburn '09, the Boys Varsity Water Polo team swept a Saturday doubleheader against Loomis Chaffee and St. John's Prep. Andover's 13-12 victory over Loomis and its resounding 18-8 win over St. John's helped the team move within striking distance of a playoff spot.

Curtis Hon '10 quickly started the scoring for Andover, but Loomis responded in the minutes later to knot the score at one.

Conor McAuliffe '10 tallied his first goal of the season sixteen seconds later to put Andover back in the lead. The rest of the quarter passed by without a score, so Andover possessed a 2-1 lead after one frame.

Loomis started the second quarter with strong play, scoring after twenty-one seconds to tie the game at 2.

McAuliffe answered again for Andover, scoring his second goal of the game shortly thereafter. However, Loomis bounced back to secure a 4-3 lead. After an Andover goal by Washburn, a Loomis shot found the back of the net. Andover went into the halftime break down by a goal.

Andrew Fraser '10 scored the first goal of the second half to tie the game. The third quarter progressed with back and forth action and both teams traded goals.

Captain Goalkeeper William Faulkner '09 made several impressive blocks to stop Loomis from extending its lead in the third quarter. Going into the final quarter, Loomis held a 7-6 advantage.

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In the fourth quarter, the back and forth play continued, as Andover's Hon, Asa Harrington '09, and Washburn scored. Loomis answered all three goals with an offensive outburst of its own to secure a 10-9 with only several minutes remaining.

McAuliffe finished his hat trick, scoring with only forty-three seconds left in the game to send it to overtime.

In the first of a two-period overtime, Loomis opened up the scoring to take the lead, but Washburn netted a goal to tie the game.

Loomis scored again, but this time Harrington tallied a goal with three seconds left to extend the game.

In the second overtime period, Goalkeeper Dan Larson '11 played great defense, shutting down several prime scoring chances from Loomis.

As the final seconds wound down, Washburn delivered, scoring a goal on a great individual effort.

Washburn's game-winner was his sixth goal of the game and gave Andover a much-needed win.

In the second game of a Saturday doubleheader, Andover played St. John's Prep. With momentum after the 13-12 overtime win, Andover played well in the first quarter.

Hon scored two goals, Washburn added three, and Fraser scored in front of the net on a good pass by Washburn. Captain Faulkner had a couple nice saves, and Andover led 6-3 at the end of the first period.

Hon led Andover in the second period, tallying four goals on two great long passes down the pool by Captain Faulkner.

McAuliffe played good defense and added a goal on a strong pass by Matthew Mahoney '11.

Washburn scored another goal, and Andover led St. John's 12-5 at the half.

Defending the deep end this quarter, usually a tough task, did not prove to be a challenge to Captain Faulkner, as he stymied the St. John's offense, shutting them out. Washburn scored the only goal, and entering the final quarter Andover led 13-5.

Lawrence Zhou '09 played Goalkeeper in the final period, only allowing three goals by St. John's.

Varsity rookies Alex Smachlo '11, Ben Morris '11, and Austen Novis '11 saw a good amount of playing time. Washburn had a steal and two goals, to give him seven for the game and eleven on the day.

Andover easily defeated St. John's Prep 18-8, improving the team's record to 8-4. Andover will play N.M.H. in the upcoming weekend.

M. DISCENZA/ *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Parker Washburn '09 reaches past a defender to shoot. Wasburn had 11 goals on Saturday.

M. DISCENZA/ *THE PHILLIPIAN*

James Martino '09 cocks his arm back and looks to pass.

Andover Scores 33 Goals on Week; Smachlo Nets Hat Trick vs. NMH

By Nathan Wagner
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	16
NMH	3
Andover	17
Exeter	10

Powered by the solid combination of Captain William Faulkner '09 and Dan Larson '11 in net, the Andover Boys Varsity Water Polo team cruised to win against both NMH and St. John's Prep.

Resting some of its starters, Andover faced NMH on Saturday. Despite the youth that played in this game, Andover still overcame NMH 16-3. Varsity rookie Alex Smachlo '11 scored a hat trick to lead Andover to victory last Saturday.

Wednesday's game against St. John's Prep started off slowly, with both teams playing swarming defense, and both goalies playing solidly. Faulkner had two close saves while defending the deep end in the first period. Conor McAuliffe '10 scored Andover's only two goals in the quarter, and St. John's answered with two of its own. Asa Harringon '09 had a nice defensive play, deflecting a shot on net. The first period ended in a 2-2 tie.

Larson, seeing his first minutes of the game in net, played extremely well at the start of the second period. Larson limited St. John's to only one goal and Andover seized the lead with six goals in the second period. Brendan Deveney '09 scored two goals, and McAuliffe added a great lob shot for his third goal. Parker Washburn '09 scored a goal on a smooth pass from Harrington, while Curtis Hon '10 found the back of the net twice. At the half, Andover held a commanding 8-3 advantage.

The third quarter started off well for Andover, as the team scored two goals in the first minute of play. The increase of Andover's lead allowed Coach David Fox to play his varsity rookies, including Conor Deveney '11, who saw his first minutes in the third period. Although St. John's scored three goals, Andover held a 14-6 lead with one period left.

Larson finished off the goalkeeping for Andover, making a nice save in his time defending the net in the shallow end. Although St. John's outscored Andover in the final quarter, the varsity rookies received many valuable minutes of playing time during the second half.

The Water Polo team's record improved to 10-4 with these two wins. Andover plays a very tough opponent in Deerfield this upcoming Saturday at 4:45.

J. LUENG/ *THE PHILLIPIAN*

The Andover Boys Water Polo Team traveled to Exeter this past Wednesday for a tournament play in, with the winner advancing to the Class A tournament. After beating Exeter in September, Exeter responded by beating Andover 6-2 about a month later. In the one-game playoff, Exeter topped Andover in an extremely close game, with a final score of 10-8.

M. DISCENZA/ *THE PHILLIPIAN*

An Exeter defender blocks a shot by Parker Washburn '09 in Wednesday's loss.

WATER POLO

Andover Takes Down Top-Ranked Deerfield in Stunning Victory

By Nathan Wagner
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	**7**
Deerfield	**5**
Exeter	**6**
Andover	**2**

The Boys Varsity Water Polo team outplayed and outworked the number one seed Deerfield, winning 7-5. But the elation was cut short on Wednesday. Exeter beat Andover 6-2.

In a match-up earlier this season, Deerfield squeaked out with an 8-6 win.

Captain and Goalkeeper William Faulkner '09 started the game in goal, defending the deep end. The two teams played back and forth with neither scoring until Asa Harrington '09 finally found the back of the net to give Andover the lead, 1-0.

In the second period, Goalkeeper Dan Larson '11 defended the shallow end. Deerfield stepped up its offense in the second period, netting three goals. However, Curtis Hon '10 responded by scoring a goal, and Deveney contributed on offense with a goal of his own. At the half the score was tied, 3-3.

In the third period, Faulkner once again provided strong goalkeeping. Conor McAuliffe '10 scored his first goal to give Andover the lead, but Deerfield answered back. Hon scored his second goal to put Andover on top, and Parker Washburn '09 led the defense for Andover with a great block. Faulkner made three tricky saves to keep the score tied 5-5 entering the final period.

Larson entered as goalkeeper for the last period, and he played remarkably. Deveney scored his second goal to give Andover a 6-5 edge, and from there Larson did not let Deerfield score for the remainder of the game.

Hon had a great deflection that led to a steal. William Falk-Wallace '10 also had a deflection that led to a steal by Hon, and McAuliffe pressured Deerfield into several turnovers. Washburn had two steals, and his second one sealed the game, 7-5.

On Wednesday, Andover faced Exeter. Larson started in the net in the shallow end, and had three adept saves, one on a difficult lob shot, to shut out Exeter in the first period. Hon scored the first goal of the game on a pass by Washburn, giving Andover the 1-0 lead at the end of the first period.

Exeter came out strong in the second period, taking advantage of its opportunities. Exeter proceeded to score three goals to take a two-goal lead. At the end of the second period, Exeter led Andover, 3-1.

The third period was a defensive battle, with no goals scored by either team.

In the final period, Exeter extended its lead with three goals. Faulkner made two great saves in the deep end, and McAuliffe scored Andover's second goal of the game on an assist by Falk-Wallace. The final score was 6-2 in favor of Exeter.

Andover will play in the New England Prep School Tournament next weekend.

Andover Earns 5th Place Finish with 2 Wins; Faulkner '09 Leads Team with 11 Saves

By Nathan Wagner
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	7
Loomis	4

Andover	19
Williston	7

A tremendous eleven-save effort by Captain William Faulkner '09 propelled Andover to a 7-4 win against Loomis in the New England tournament fifth place game. Wins on Saturday against Williston and Loomis helped Andover finish its season on a high note after a heartbreaking loss to Exeter in the tournament's play-in game.

Eliminated from final four contention, Andover played Williston in its first game of the consolation tournament on Saturday.

Andover came out of the gate firing against Williston, recording seven goals in the first quarter alone. The defense played well in the first quarter to complement the strong offensive production and hand Andover an early five goal lead.

Parker Washburn '09, Curtis Hon '10, Asa Harrington '09, Brendan Deveney '09, all scored one goal each. Conor McAuliffe '10 found the net early and often, recording a hat trick in the first quarter.

Faulkner played solidly in the net for Andover in the second quarter, only allowing two goals.

The defense helped out Faulkner and continued its pressure on Williston.

Matthew Mahoney '11 scored two goals to help out Andover on the offensive side, while Washburn and Deveney each netted in a pair. Andover increased its lead and at the half, Andover led 13-4.

Just like it had been throughout the game, Andover's offense and defense kept up its torrid pace in the second half. In the third quarter, Andrew Fraser '10 scored a goal to extend Andover's lead.

Andover dominated Williston in all four quarters of play, giving the team a commanding lead. Washburn and Deveney finished the game's scoring, allowing Andover to cruise to a 19-7 lead. This convincing win helped Andover gain confidence for its second game against Loomis to decide the league's fifth-place team.

Andover had faced Loomis two times previously in the regular season, winning both times.

Andover once again started off well, leading Loomis throughout the first half.

Deveney scored two goals to add to his total on the day, while James Martino '09 added a goal of his own to give Andover a 3-2 half-time lead.

Faulkner played extremely well in the net in the third quarter, recording multiple saves to keep Andover's lead intact.

Hon scored a goal in the third quarter to add to Andover's lead over Loomis, while McAuliffe brought Andover up by another goal with a score.

Faulkner played brilliantly in the final period, making four great saves in a close game.

For the whole game, Faulkner made eleven saves against the Loomis attack, his play a main reason why Andover limited Loomis to only four goals.

Washburn and Deveney provided the offensive spark in the fourth quarter to give Andover a 7-4 win over Loomis and fifth place overall.

Compared to last year's eighth place finish, which placed the team at the bottom of the league, Andover improved heavily this season.

Andover more than doubled its win total from a year ago, and Coach David Fox hopes to continue to improve next season.

Despite having several seniors leaving including the Captain, the Boys Varsity Water Polo team has most of its roster returning.

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"Wednesday November 19, 2008"

BASKETBALL B V	**BROOKS**	**H**	**2:15**	**SCRIMMAGE**
HOCKEY B V	Worcester	A	4:00	SCRIMMAGE
SQUASH G V	**SQUASHBUSTERS**	**H**	**5:00**	**SCRIMMAGE**
WRESTLING B V	Exeter/Governor's	A	2:30	SCRIMMAG at Exeter

"Friday November 21, 2008"

HOCKEY B V	Holderness	A	5:45	

"Wednesday December 3, 2008"

BASKETBALL B V	**BRIMMER & MAY**	**H**	**5:00**	**SCRIMMAGE**
BASKETBALL G V	**WORCESTER**	**H**	**3:30**	
HOCKEY B V	Lawrence Academy	A	3:30	
HOCKEY G V	B. B. & N.	A	3:30	
SQUASH B V	Belmont Hill	A	3:00	SCRIMMAGE
SQUASH G JV1	**SQUASHBUSTERS**	**H**	**5:00**	**SCRIMMAGE**

"Friday December 5, 2008"

SWIMMING B V	**BLUE & WHITE**	**H**	**5:00**	
SWIMMING G V	**BLUE & WHITE**	**H**	**5:00**	

"Saturday December 6, 2008"

BASKETBALL B V	**CUSHING**	**H**	**5:00**	
BASKETBALL B JV1	**CUSHING**	**H**	**3:30**	
BASKETBALL G V	New Hampton	A	4:15	
HOCKEY B V	Pomfret	A	6:00	
HOCKEY B JV1	**CHELMSFORD HS**	**H**	**5:15**	
HOCKEY G V	**RIVERS**	**H**	**3:15**	
HOCKEY G JV	Governor's	A	2:45	
SQUASH B V	Tabor	A	3:45	
SQUASH B JV1	Tabor	A	3:45	
SQUASH G V	**WESTMINSTER/SGS/MILTON**	**H**	**4:30**	**SCRIMMAGE**
WRESTLING B V	**NOBLE & GREENOUGH**	**H**	**3:00**	
WRESTLING B JV	BH/Milton/Card/PEA/NMH	A	3:00	at Belmont Hill

"Friday December 12, 2008"

WRESTLING B V	Lawrenceville	A	6:00	

"Saturday December 13, 2008"

SQUASH G V	Groton	A	12:00	
WRESTLING B V	Lawrenceville	A	12:00	

"Sunday December 14, 2008"

BASKETBALL G V	**ANDOVER HS**	**H**	**10:00**	
HOCKEY B V	**PINGREE**	**H**	**2:00**	
HOCKEY G V	Winchendon	A	2:00	

"Monday December 15, 2008"

BASKETBALL B V	Loomis	A	5:30	
BASKETBALL G V	Loomis	A	4:00	
HOCKEY G V	**NEWHL Pre Prep**	**H**	**6:30**	

"Tuesday December 16, 2008"

BASKETBALL B V	K.U.A.	A	3:30	

"Wednesday December 17, 2008"

HOCKEY G V	Taft Tourney	A	6:00	

"Thursday December 18, 2008"

HOCKEY G V	Taft Tourney	A	9:00	

"Friday December 19, 2008"

HOCKEY B V	Flood Marr Westminster	A	1:00	at Nobles
HOCKEY G V	Taft Tourney	A	5:30	

"Saturday December 20, 2008"

HOCKEY B V	Flood Marr — Milton	A	9:00	at Milton
HOCKEY B V	Flood Marr— Hotchkiss	A	7:00	at Milton

"Sunday December 21, 2008"

HOCKEY B V	Flood Marr	A	TBA	

"Saturday January 3, 2009"

BASKETBALL G V	Tabor Tourney - Patterson	A	6:00	at Tabor

"Sunday January 4, 2009"

BASKETBALL G V	Tabor Tourney - Notre Dame	A	4:00	at Tabor

"Wednesday January 7, 2009"

BASKETBALL B V	**K.U.A.**	**H**	**3:30**	
BASKETBALL G V	Cushing	A	4:45	
BASKETBALL G JV1	Cushing	A	3:15	
HOCKEY B V	**PROCTOR**	**H**	**2:30**	
HOCKEY G V	**BREWSTER ACADEMY**	**H**	**4:30**	
SKIING NORDIC	Holderness	A	2:45	

"Saturday January 10, 2009"

BASKETBALL B V	Choate	A	2:15	
BASKETBALL B JV1	Choate	A	2:15	
BASKETBALL G V	Choate	A	12:15	
BASKETBALL G JV1	Choate	A	12:15	
HOCKEY B V	Choate	A	6:00	
HOCKEY B JV1	Choate	A	4:00	
HOCKEY G V	Choate	A	2:00	
HOCKEY G JV	Choate	A	12:00	
SQUASH B V	Choate/PEA/Taft	A	3:00	at Choate
SQUASH B JV1	Choate	A	1:30	
SQUASH G V	Choate	A	12:00	
SQUASH G JV1	Choate	A	12:00	
SWIMMING B V	Choate	A	2:00	
SWIMMING G V	Choate	A	2:00	
WRESTLING B V	Choate	A	2:00	
WRESTLING B JV	Choate	A	2:00	

"Monday January 12, 2009"

HOCKEY G V	**BROOKS**	**H**	**4:30**	

"Wednesday January 14, 2009"

BASKETBALL B V	Holderness	A	3:30	
BASKETBALL B JV1	**ANDOVER HS**	**H**	**3:30**	
BASKETBALL G V	Tabor	A	3:30	
BASKETBALL G JV1	Tabor	A	3:30	
HOCKEY B V	**TILTON**	**H**	**2:30**	
HOCKEY B JV1	TILTON	A	3:45	
HOCKEY G V	New Hampton	A	3:30	
HOCKEY G JV	**BROOKS**	**H**	**3:30**	
SKIING NORDIC	Vermont Academy	A	2:45	
SQUASH B V	Deerfield	A	3:30	
SQUASH B JV1	Deerfield	A	3:30	
SQUASH G JV1	**WINSOR VARSITY**	**H**	**4:15**	
SWIMMING JV	**BERWICK/ST. GEORGE'S**	**H**	**4:30**	
TRACK B V	**WILBRAHAM/GOV'S/HYDE**	**H**	**3:00**	
TRACK G V	**WILBRAHAM/GOV'S/HYDE**	**H**	**3:00**	
WRESTLING B V	**ANDOVER HS**	**H**	**3:30**	
WRESTLING B JV	**ANDOVER HS**	**H**	**3:30**	

"Friday January 16, 2009"

BASKETBALL B V	Milton	A	6:00	
SQUASH B V	**GROTON**	**H**	**4:30**	
SQUASH B JV1	**GROTON**	**H**	**4:30**	
SQUASH B JV2	St. Mark's JV	A	4:30	
SQUASH G JV2	GROTON	A	4:30	
WRESTLING B V	**N.M.H.**	**H**	**7:00**	

"Saturday January 17, 2009"

BASKETBALL B V	**TABOR**	**H**	**5:00**	
BASKETBALL B JV1	**TABOR**	**H**	**5:00**	
BASKETBALL B JV2	**N.M.H.**	**H**	**3:00**	
BASKETBALL G V	**MILTON**	**H**	**1:00**	
BASKETBALL G JV1	**MILTON**	**H**	**1:00**	
BASKETBALL G JV2	**N.M.H.**	**H**	**3:00**	
HOCKEY B V	**EXETER**	**H**	**5:00**	
HOCKEY B JV1	**DEERFIELD**	**H**	**2:00**	
HOCKEY G V	**ST. PAUL'S**	**H**	**3:00**	
HOCKEY G JV	**TABOR**	**H**	**4:00**	
SQUASH B V	**MIDDLESEX**	**H**	**1:00**	
SQUASH B JV2	Middlesex JV2	A	1:30	
SQUASH G V	**TAFT/LOOMIS/PEA**	**H**	**3:00**	
SQUASH G JV2	**DEERFIELD**	**H**	**1:30**	
SWIMMING B V	**LOOMIS**	**H**	**3:00**	
SWIMMING G V	**LOOMIS**	**H**	**3:00**	
WRESTLING B V	Deerfield/PCD/Hyde/Hyde	A	12:00	at Deerfield
WRESTLING B JV	**EXETER/SPS/NMH**	**H**	**2:30**	

"Sunday January 18, 2009"

TRACK B V	GBTC	A	10:45	
TRACK G V	GBTC	A	10:45	

"Wednesday January 21, 2009"

BASKETBALL B V	**GOVERNOR'S**	**H**	**3:30**	
BASKETBALL B JV2	Gann Academy-New Jewish Freshman	A	4:30	
BASKETBALL G V	Thayer	A	4:45	
BASKETBALL G JV1	Thayer	A	3:15	
BASKETBALL G JV2	**PINGREE**	**H**	**3:30**	
HOCKEY B V	St. Sebastian's	A	4:30	
HOCKEY B JV1	**ST. SEBASTIAN'S**	**H**	**3:15**	
HOCKEY G V	Lawrence Academy	A	3:30	
HOCKEY G JV	**ST. MARK'S**	**H**	**5:00**	
SKIING NORDIC	St. Paul's	A	2:00	
SQUASH B V	Loomis	A	3:45	
SQUASH G V	**TABOR**	**H**	**3:15**	
SQUASH G JV1	**TABOR**	**H**	**3:15**	
SWIMMING JV	**LANDMARK SCHOOL**	**H**	**3:45**	
TRACK B V	**TBA**	**H**	**3:30**	
TRACK BJV	**TBA**	**H**	**3:30**	
TRACK G V	**TBA**	**H**	**3:30**	
TRACK GJV	**TBA**	**H**	**3:30**	
WRESTLING B V	**TABOR**	**H**	**4:00**	

"Friday January 23, 2009"

BASKETBALL G JV2	**BERWICK ACADEMY**	**H**	**3:45**	
HOCKEY B V	**THAYER**	**H**	**6:30**	
SQUASH B V	St. Mark's V	A	4:30	
SQUASH B JV1	St. Mark's JV	A	4:30	
SQUASH B JV2	**GROTON**	**H**	**4:30**	
SQUASH G V	Deerfield	A	5:30	
SQUASH G JV1	Deerfield	A	5:30	

"Saturday January 24, 2009"

BASKETBALL B V	**DEERFIELD**	**H**	**5:45**	
BASKETBALL B JV1	**DEERFIELD**	**H**	**3:45**	
BASKETBALL B JV2	**DEERFIELD**	**H**	**3:45**	
BASKETBALL G V	Deerfield	A	4:15	
BASKETBALL G JV1	Deerfield	A	4:15	
HOCKEY B V	Noble & Greenough	A	4:30	
HOCKEY B JV1	**ST. PAUL'S**	**H**	**4:30**	
HOCKEY G JV	**EXETER**	**H**	**3:00**	
SQUASH B V	Noble & Greenough	A	3:00	
SQUASH B JV1	Noble & Greenough	A	3:00	
SQUASH G V	Exeter	A	3:15	
SQUASH G JV1	Exeter	A	3:15	
SQUASH G JV2	Exeter	A	3:15	
SWIMMING B V	N.M.H.	A	3:45	
SWIMMING G V	N.M.H.	A	3:45	
SWIMMING JV	**EAGLEBROOK SCHOOL**	**H**	**2:00**	
TRACK B V	**ANDOVER HS/WILBRAHAM**	**H**	**2:00**	**SCRIMMAGE**
TRACK G V	**ANDOVER HS/WILBRAHAM**	**H**	**2:00**	**SCRIMMAGE**
WRESTLING B V	Rox-Lat/Belmont Hill/Loomis	A	4:30	at Loomis
WRESTLING B JV	Exeter/SPS/Wor/Hyde	A	3:30	at Exeter

"Sunday January 25, 2009"

TRACK B V	GBTC- Open Invitational	A	10:45	at Harvard
TRACK G V	GBTC - Open Invitational	A	10:45	at Harvard

"Wednesday January 28, 2009"

BASKETBALL B V	Cushing	A	4:45	
BASKETBALL B JV1	Cushing	A	3:00	
BASKETBALL B JV2	**FESSENDEN Freshman**	**H**	**3:30**	
BASKETBALL G V	**NOBLE & GREENOUGH**	**H**	**3:30**	
BASKETBALL G JV1	**NOBLE & GREENOUGH**	**H**	**5:00**	
HOCKEY B V	Winchendon	A	3:30	
HOCKEY B JV1	**TOP GUN**	**H**	**5:45**	
HOCKEY G V	**CUSHING**	**H**	**3:45**	
SKIING NORDIC	K.U.A.	A	2:45	
SQUASH B V	**ST. PAUL'S**	**H**	**2:45**	
SQUASH B JV1	**ST. PAUL'S**	**H**	**2:45**	
SQUASH G V	Groton	A	2:30	
SQUASH G JV1	Groton	A	2:30	
SQUASH G JV2	**GROTON**	**H**	**4:30**	
TRACK B V	**HAVERHILL HS/GOVERNOR'S**	**H**	**3:30**	**SCRIMMAGE**
TRACK BJV	**HAVERHILL HS/GOVERNOR'S**	**H**	**3:30**	**SCRIMMAGE**
TRACK G V	**HAVERHILL HS/GOVERNOR'S**	**H**	**3:30**	**SCRIMMAGE**
TRACK GJV	**HAVERHILL HS/GOVERNOR'S**	**H**	**3:30**	**SCRIMMAGE**
WRESTLING B V	Worcester	A	3:30	
WRESTLING B JV	**BELMONT HILL**	**H**	**3:15**	

"Friday January 30, 2009"

BASKETBALL B V	**RIVERS**	**H**	**4:45**	
BASKETBALL B JV1	Lawrence Academy	A	4:30	
BASKETBALL G JV2	**GROTON 3rds**	**H**	**4:30**	
SQUASH B V	**MILTON**	**H**	**6:00**	
SQUASH B JV1	**MILTON**	**H**	**6:00**	
SQUASH B JV2	Noble & Greenough JV	A	5:00	
SQUASH G V	**MILTON**	**H**	**4:30**	
SQUASH G JV1	**MILTON**	**H**	**4:30**	
SQUASH G JV2	Middlesex	A	4:30	

"Saturday January 31, 2009"

BASKETBALL B JV1	Belmont Hill	A	1:00	
BASKETBALL B JV2	**CENTRAL CATHOLIC**	**H**	**2:00**	
BASKETBALL G V	Worcester	A	2:15	
BASKETBALL G JV1	Governor's	A	2:00	
HOCKEY B V	**LOOMIS**	**H**	**4:30**	
HOCKEY B JV1	**ANDOVER HS**	**H**	**2:30**	
HOCKEY G V	Deerfield	A	2:15	
HOCKEY G JV	Deerfield	A	4:00	
SQUASH B V	**BELMONT/CHOATE/WESTY**	**H**	**3:45**	
SQUASH G V	Middlesex	H	2:00	
SQUASH G JV1	Middlesex	H	2:00	
SWIMMING B V	**DEERFIELD**	**H**	**2:15**	
SWIMMING G V	**DEERFIELD**	**H**	**2:15**	
SWIMMING JV	Deerfield/Worcester	A	2:15	at Deerfield
WRESTLING B V	**GOVERNOR/TILTON\HYDE**	**H**	**2:30**	
WRESTLING B JV	N.M.H./Card/Milton/Hyde	A	2:00	at NMH

"Monday February 2, 2009"

BASKETBALL G V	**BROOKS**	**H**	**4:30**	
SQUASH G V	**BROOKS**	**H**	**4:30**	

"Wednesday February 4, 2009"

BASKETBALL B V	Tilton	A	3:45	
BASKETBALL B JV2	**CHELMSFORD HS**	**H**	**4:00**	
BASKETBALL G JV2	**CHELMSFORD HS**	**H**	**4:00**	
HOCKEY B V	Deerfield	A	3:45	
HOCKEY G V	**EXETER**	**H**	**3:15**	
HOCKEY G JV	Middlesex	A	4:30	
SKIING NORDIC	Proctor	A	2:45	
SQUASH B V	**EXETER**	**H**	**2:30**	
SQUASH B JV1	**EXETER**	**H**	**2:30**	
SQUASH B JV2	**EXETER**	**H**	**2:30**	
TRACK BJV	**NORTH READING HS**	**H**	**3:30**	
TRACK GJV	**NORTH READING HS**	**H**	**3:30**	

"Friday February 6, 2009"

BASKETBALL B V	Thayer	A	5:30	
HOCKEY B V	**BELMONT HILL**	**H**	**5:15**	
HOCKEY B JV1	Belmont Hill	A	5:00	
HOCKEY G JV	Lawrence Academy	A	4:30	

SQUASH B V	HS Nationals	A	TBA	at Yale
SQUASH G V	HS Nationals	A	TBA	at Yale
SQUASH G JV2	St. Mark's JV	A	4:30	

"Saturday February 7, 2009"

BASKETBALL B V	**NOBLE & GREENOUGH**	**H**	**4:30**	
BASKETBALL B JV1	Worcester	A	1:30	
BASKETBALL G V	**EXETER**	**H**	**2:30**	
BASKETBALL G JV1	**EXETER**	**H**	**2:30**	
BASKETBALL G JV2	Berwick Academy	A	1:30	
HOCKEY G V	**TILTON**	**H**	**2:30**	
SQUASH B V	HS Nationals	A	6:00	
SQUASH B JV1	**MIDDLESEX**	**H**	**2:30**	
SQUASH B JV2	Brooks	A	TBA	at Yale
SQUASH G V	HS Nationals	A	TBA	at Yale
SWIMMING B V	**HOPKINS**	**H**	**1:00**	
SWIMMING G V	**HOPKINS**	**H**	**1:00**	
WRESTLING B V	Northern New Englands	A	10:00	at Tilton

"Sunday February 8, 2009"

SQUASH B V	HS Nationals	A	TBA	at Yale
SQUASH G V	HS Nationals	A	TBA	at Yale

"Monday February 9, 2009"

HOCKEY B V	**BREWSTER ACADEMY**	**H**	**3:45**	
SQUASH G JV1	**BROOKS**	**H**	**4:30**	

"Wednesday February 11, 2009"

BASKETBALL B V	Tabor	A	3:30	
BASKETBALL B JV1	**LAWRENCE HS**	**H**	**5:15**	
BASKETBALL G V	**TABOR**	**H**	**3:30**	
BASKETBALL G JV1	**LAWRENCE HS**	**H**	**4:30**	
BASKETBALL G JV2	**LAWRENCE HS**	**H**	**3:00**	
HOCKEY B V	**K.U.A.**	**H**	**4:00**	
HOCKEY B JV1	Governor's	A	3:00	
HOCKEY G V	Tabor	A	3:30	
HOCKEY G JV	Milton	A	2:30	
SQUASH B V	**ST. GEORGE'S**	**H**	**4:30**	
SQUASH B JV2	**BELMONT HILL**	**H**	**3:00**	
SQUASH G JV2	**MIDDLESEX**	**H**	**2:00**	
SWIMMING B V	**ST. JOHN'S PREP**	**H**	**5:00**	
SWIMMING JV	**ST. JOHN'S PREP**	**H**	**5:00**	
TRACK BJV	Exeter	A	3:00	
TRACK GJV	Exeter	A	3:00	
WRESTLING B V	**EXETER**	**H**	**3:00**	
WRESTLING B JV	**EXETER**	**H**	**4:00**	

"Friday February 13, 2009"

BASKETBALL B V	N.M.H	A	6:00	
BASKETBALL B JV1	**CENTRAL CATHOLIC**	**H**	**3:30**	
BASKETBALL B JV2	**BELMONT HILL**	**H**	**3:30**	
BASKETBALL G V	Suffield	A	6:15	
HOCKEY B V	Governor's	A	6:30	
HOCKEY B JV1	**ST. JOHN'S PREP**	**H**	**3:45**	
HOCKEY G V	Governor's	A	4:30	
SQUASH G V	**NOBLE & GREENOUGH**	**H**	**4:30**	
SQUASH G JV1	**NOBLE & GREENOUGH**	**H**	**4:30**	
WRESTLING B V	Interschols Class A	A	9:00	at Tabor

"Saturday February 14, 2009"

SKIING NORDIC	N.M.H	A	3:00	
WRESTLING B V	Interschols Class A	A	7:30	at Tabor

"Wednesday February 18, 2009"

BASKETBALL B JV1	**WORCESTER**	**H**	**3:30**	
BASKETBALL B JV2	**PINGREE JV1**	**H**	**3:30**	
BASKETBALL G V	B. B. & N.	A	4:45	
BASKETBALL G JV1	B. B. & N.	A	3:15	
HOCKEY B V	CUSHING	A	3:15	
HOCKEY B JV1	**AUSTIN PREP**	**H**	**6:30**	
HOCKEY G V	**NOBLE & GREENOUGH**	**H**	**4:30**	
HOCKEY G JV	**ST. PAUL'S**	**H**	**2:45**	
SKIING NORDIC	NEPSAC Championships	A	10:00	
SQUASH B JV2	**BROOKS**	**H**	**3:00**	
SQUASH G V	St. Paul's	A	2:45	
SQUASH G JV1	St. Paul's	A	2:45	
TRACK B V	Exeter	A	3:00	
TRACK BJV	Exeter	A	3:00	
TRACK G V	Exeter	A	3:00	
TRACK GJV	Exeter	A	3:00	

"Thursday February 19, 2009"

BASKETBALL B V	Brooks	A	4:15	
BASKETBALL B JV1	Brooks	A	4:15	
SQUASH B V	**BROOKS**	**H**	**4:30**	
SQUASH B JV1	**BROOKS**	**H**	**4:30**	
WRESTLING B V	Nationals	A	12:00	at Lehigh

"Friday February 20, 2009"

BASKETBALL B V	Brimmer & May	A	4:45	
BASKETBALL B JV2	Belmont Hill	A	4:15	
BASKETBALL G V	**N.M.H.**	**H**	**6:00**	
BASKETBALL G JV1	**N.M.H.**	**H**	**6:00**	
BASKETBALL G JV2	Groton JV	A	4:30	
HOCKEY B V	**TABOR**	**H**	**6:30**	
HOCKEY B JV1	Tabor	A	6:30	
HOCKEY G V	Milton	A	5:30	
HOCKEY G JV	**PIKE SCHOOL**	**H**	**4:30**	
SQUASH B V	**BELMONT HILL**	**H**	**4:30**	
SQUASH B JV1	**BELMONT HILL**	**H**	**4:30**	
SQUASH B JV2	Belmont Hill	A	4:30	
SQUASH G V	Groton	A	4:30	
WRESTLING B V	Nationals	A	12:00	at Lehigh

"Saturday February 21, 2009"

BASKETBALL G JV2	Tabor	A	1:30	
HOCKEY B V	**BROOKS**	**H**	**6:00**	
SQUASH G JV2	Deerfield/Choate	A	12:30	at Deerfield
SWIMMING JV	Eaglebrook School	A	11:00	
WRESTLING B V	Nationals	A	12:00	at Lehigh
WRESTLING B JV	JV Tourney	A	10:00	site TBA

"Sunday February 22, 2009"

TRACK B V	USATF- NE Championships	A	12:00	at Harvard
TRACK G V	USATF- NE Championships	A	12:00	at Harvard
WRESTLING B V	Nationals	A	12:00	at Lehigh

"Wednesday February 25, 2009"

BASKETBALL B V	Deerfield	A	3:45	
BASKETBALL B JV2	**BROOKS Freshman**	**H**	**2:15**	
BASKETBALL G V	**RIVERS**	**H**	**3:45**	
BASKETBALL G JV2	**FAY SCHOOL JV**	**H**	**4:00**	
HOCKEY B V	**N.M.H.**	**H**	**3:30**	
HOCKEY G JV	**CONCORD YOUTH HOCKEY**	**H**	**2:15**	
SKIING NORDIC	Holderness	A	2:45	
SQUASH B V	Exeter	A	2:30	
SQUASH B JV1	Exeter	A	2:30	
SQUASH B JV2	Exeter	A	2:30	
SQUASH G V	**EXETER**	**H**	**2:30**	
SQUASH G JV1	**EXETER**	**H**	**2:30**	
SQUASH G JV2	**EXETER**	**H**	**2:30**	
SWIMMING B V	**EXETER**	**H**	**3:30**	
SWIMMING G V	**EXETER**	**H**	**3:30**	

"Thursday February 26, 2009"

INTRAMURAL BB	**FINALS**	**H**	**7:15**	

"Friday February 27, 2009"

SQUASH B V	Interschols	A	12:00	
WRESTLING B V	New Englands	A	6:00	at Avon Old Farms

"Saturday February 28, 2009"

BASKETBALL B V	Exeter	A	6:15	
BASKETBALL B JV1	Exeter	A	2:30	
BASKETBALL G V	Exeter	A	4:15	
BASKETBALL G JV1	Exeter	A	1:00	
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HOCKEY B JV1	Exeter	A	3:00	
HOCKEY G V	Exeter	A	2:00	
HOCKEY G JV	Exeter	A	1:00	
SQUASH B V	Interschols	A	9:00	
SQUASH G V	Interschols	A	9:00	
SWIMMING JV	Exeter	A	1:00	
WRESTLING B V	New Englands	A	9:00	at Avon Old Farms

"Sunday March 1, 2009"

SQUASH G V	Interschols	A	9:00	

"Saturday March 7, 2009"

DIVING BOYS	NE England Championships	A	7:30	at Hotchkiss
SWIMMING B V	NE England Championships	A	9:00	at Hotchkiss

"Sunday March 8, 2009"

DIVING GIRLS	Interschols	A	7:30	at Hotchkiss
SWIMMING G V	Interschols	A	9:00	at Hotchkiss

"Friday March 13, 2009"

TRACK B V	Indoor Championships	A	TBA	
TRACK G V	Indoor Championships	A	TBA	

"Saturday March 14, 2009"

TRACK B V	Indoor Championships	A	TBA	
TRACK G V	Indoor Championships	A	TBA	

"Sunday March 15, 2009"

TRACK B V	Indoor Championships	A	TBA	
TRACK G V	Indoor Championships	A	TBA	

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Team Results: Winter 2009

Boys Basketball	8-11-0	
Girls Basketball	17-3-0	Reached NE Finals
Boys Hockey	17-4-4	Reached NE Semifinals
Girls Hockey	12-5-2	
Nordic Skiing	0-0-0	
Boys Squash	11-4-0	13th @ Nationals
Girls Squash	5-9-0	
Boys Swimming	5-0-0	2nd @ Interschols
Girls Swimming	6-1-0	1st @ Interschols
Boys Indoor Track	3-1-0	
Girls Indoor Track	0-4-0	
Wrestling	14-2-0	1st @ Class A Championships 3rd @ New Englands 16th @ Nationals

Sport: Boys Basketball

Year: 2009

Captains: Brian Russell, Menelik Washington

Coach: Leon Modeste

Assistant Coach: Dan Schneider

Season Record

Won 8 Lost 11 Tied 0

Letterwinners

Bond, Tyler
Burdeau, Zachary
Finn, Cathal
Hamel, Thomas
Hanson, Mark
Jenkins, Malik
McCaskill, Khalid
Palleschi, Thomas
Paul, Kevin
Russell, Brian
Skaggs, Adam
Sykes, Brian
Washington, Menelik

PHILLIPS ACADEMY- ANDOVER
BOYS' VARSITY BASKETBALL
2008-2009

No	Name	Pos	Yr	Height	Hometown
3	McCaskill, Khalid	G	2010	6'3	New York, NY
4	Sykes, Brian	F	2009	6'3	San Francisco, CA
5	Hamel, Thomas	C	2010	6'8	Methuen, MA
10	Washington, Menelik	G	2009	6'1	New York, NY
11	Finn, Cathal	G	2009	6'0	Oranmore, County Galway, IRE
12	Paul, Kevin	G	2010	5'10	Beaconsfield , CAN
13	Jenkins, Malik	F	2009	6'1	Bronx, NY
15	Russell, Brian	G	2009	6'1	Andover, MA
20	Hanson, Mark	G	2011	5'10	North Andover, MA
23	Burdeau, Zachary	F	2009	6'3	Andover, MA
33	Skaggs, Adam	G-F	2009	6'3	Framingham, MA
41	Bond, Tyler	F	2010	6'4	Andover, MA
50	Palleschi, Thomas	C	2012	6'8	Haverhill, MA

HEAD COACH: LEON MODESTE
ASSISTANT COACH: DAN SCHNEIDER

Captains: Brian Russell & Menelik Washington

Managers: Sophie Fourteau, Hannah Hall, Elizabeth Lavin

Schedule and Record

Record: 8/11/0

DATE/TIME	OPPONENT	H/A	TYPE	SCORE
12/3 @ 5:00 PM	Brimmer & May School	H	Scrimmage	
12/6 @ 5:00 PM	Cushing Academy	H	Game	L 53-61
12/15 @ 5:30 PM	Loomis Chaffee	A	Game	L 47-63
12/16 @ 3:30 PM	Kimball Union Academy	H	Game	L 65-73
1/7 @ 3:30 PM	Kimball Union Academy	A	Game	Canceled
1/10 @ 2:15 PM	Choate Rosemary Hall	A	Game	L 47-58
1/14 @ 3:30 PM	Holderness School	A	Game	L 50-69
1/16 @ 6:00 PM	Milton Academy	A	Game	W 58-44
1/17 @ 5:00 PM	Tabor Academy	H	Game	W 58-57
1/21 @ 3:30 PM	Governor's Academy	H	Game	W 71-65
1/24 @ 5:45 PM	Deerfield Academy	H	Game	L 56-58
1/26 @ 3:30 PM	KUA	H	Game	W 76-65
1/28 @ 4:45 PM	Cushing Academy	A	Game	CANCELED
1/29 @ 5:15 PM	Rivers School	H	Game	W 72-48
2/4 @ 3:45 PM	Tilton School	A	Game	L 56-89
2/6 @ 5:30 PM	Thayer Academy	A	Game	W 85-64
2/7 @ 4:30 PM	Noble & Greenough School	H	Game	W 54-47
2/11 @ 3:30 PM	Tabor Academy	A	Game	L 64-70
2/13 @ 6:00 PM	Northfield Mount Herman School	A	Game	L 64-102
2/19 @ 4:15 PM	Brooks School	A	Game	W 48-46
2/20 @ 4:45 PM	Brimmer & May School	A	Game	L 53-60
2/25 @ 3:45 PM	Deerfield Academy	A	Game	
2/28 @ 6:15 PM	Phillips Exeter Academy	A	Game	L 49-63

Despite Basketball's 0-3 Start, Individuals Shine in Tournament

By Blake Grubbs
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Adam Skaggs '09 led Andover with a season-high 19 points against a strong Kimball Union team, and three other players reached double digits scoring in the close loss, 73-65, before break.

The team also suffered two tough losses to Cushing and Loomis to kick off the season.

The team lost its first against Cushing 61-53, shortly before winter break. The score was tight the entire game and Andover fought hard until the end against a quick and skilled Cushing team.

Andover countered with play of almost equal caliber—the first half ended with Andover only six points down.

Andover closed the gap to within only a few points early in the second half, but sloppy play and turnovers late in the game allowed Cushing to pull ahead again and win handily.

The game contained several bright points however, and among them was Tom Palleschi '12, who recorded a double-double with 12 points and 10 rebounds.

"Tom is going to be a very, very fine player some day," Coach Leon Modeste said. "He is playing some great basketball right now."

Co-Captain Brian Russell '09 also contributed with 13 points, five assists and three steals.

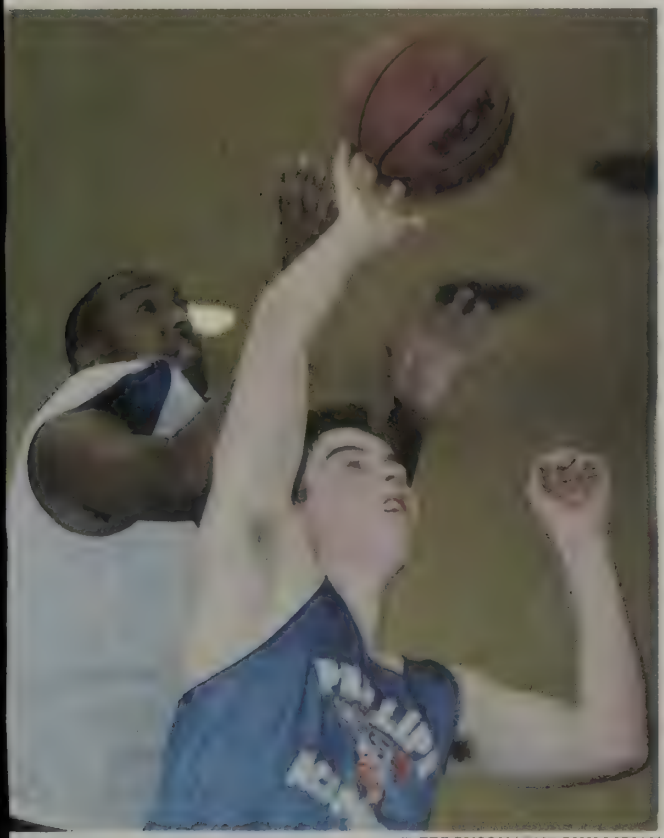
In its second game of the season, Andover played Loomis on the road, a game that ended in a 63-47 loss.

Coach Modeste called the Loomis match-up "our worst yet, by far."

The team got down early and never came back, allowing Loomis to score baskets at ease in the transition. Russell once again was one of the top scorers with 11 points, and Khalid McCaskill '10 was the leading scorer with 15 points.

In Andover's most recent game against Kimball Union, the team improved its play but couldn't quite finish down the stretch in a tough loss, 73-65.

Andover again experienced an early deficit, down by as many as 12 points at one



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Cathal Finn '09 and Adam Skaggs '09 fight for a rebound during Wednesday's practice.

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Skaggs '09 Leads Scorers with 19; Team Looks for Ways to Improve

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point in the game.

With a relentless attack, however, Andover charged back, closing to within three points with four minutes left in the game.

The team did end up losing in the end, but Coach Modeste explained that there were many positives to their play.

"I was glad that no one gave up, they could have easily taken it easy and not fought back, but they didn't and I am very proud of them for that," said the coach.

Four players were in double figures for points in the high-scoring affair.

McCaskill and Russell had 10 points each, postgraduate Zach Burdeau '09 had 11 points, and Skaggs led the team with an impressive 19-point effort.

Despite the improvements from the Loomis game, Andover still has things to work on coming into the heart of the season.

"We are fouling way too much, and our opponents are getting points that we shouldn't be giving up," Modeste said.

Another challenge that faced the team throughout the first few games was the lack of one definite point guard on the floor.

Although the play has been good from the position, most of the guards on the team are scorers in the shooting guard position.

This Wednesday's home game against Kimball Union was canceled due to the weather conditions. There hasn't been a rescheduling of the match-up yet.

Although Andover does not have a winning record, they are showing signs of improvement and are on their way to becoming a great team.

M. DISCENZA/ *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Tyler Bond '10 gets low as he drives past his opponent.

Team Falters at Free Throw Line; Palleschi '12 Leads With 12 Points

By Blake Grubbs
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Choate	58
Andover	47

Holderness	69
Andover	60

Bad free throw shooting along with second half troubles led to two more losses this past week to bring Andover's record to 0-5 on the year.

In last Saturday's game at Choate, Andover took their fourth loss of the season 58-47. Andover played a back and forth first half against an evenly matched Choate team going into the half only down by 4.

Some fatigue seemed to set in coming into the second half, causing the team to lose ground early. "We came out flat," Coach Leon Modeste said. "I don't know if it was the long bus ride or what it was, but we cannot afford to do that."

In the low scoring affair, Andover's shooting grew cold as the team had trouble getting points on the board. A bad transition game along with several missed free throws led to an unusually low 47 points for the team in the game.

Andover did manage to get to the free throw line, but it had trouble capitalizing on its free shots.

The team got to the line 23 times, but only sank 9 shots. "We did a great job of getting to the line, we just have to make them now," said Coach Modeste.

Post-graduate Zach Burdeau '09 had 11 points in the game along with 8 points from Khalid McCaskill '10 and 7 from Thomas Palleschi '12.

In Wednesday's game against Holderness, Andover played another tough game in a 69-60 loss.

The first half looked promising, the team was energized and very hopeful going into the half.

But again, second half troubles contributed to Andover's fifth loss of the year. "We had a complete defensive meltdown in the second half," Coach Modeste said.

The defense had been the strong point of the struggling Andover team this season, but without it on Wednesday, the team's chances of winning were greatly diminished.

"The first half, we played awesome," said Palleschi, who had 12 points. "They weren't that great, we just completely broke down in the second half."

Captain Brian Russell '09 had 9 points, and Adam Skaggs '09 and McCaskill both had 8. The free throws did not improve much since Saturday, as Andover was 12 for 22 from the stripe.

Another long drive up into New Hampshire might have contributed to more second half woes, but to Andover's credit, the team fought hard until the final minutes.

Although the season is looking grim so far, the team is looking ahead, working hard and forgetting about the past games.

Andover is showing great determination and effort, shown in the close scores of nearly every game so far this season.

Despite the slow start, hopes are high as the team continues to capitalize on its strengths and fix its mistakes.

Y. WATANABE (LEFT) A. LEVINE (RIGHT), *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Khalid McCaskill '10 (left) and Co-Captain Brian Russell '09 (right) fight Tabor opponents for the ball.

Basketball Rolls to Three-Game Winning Streak; Palleschi '12 Gives Triple-Double Performance

By Blake Grubbs
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

A triple-double from Thomas Palleschi '12 powered Andover to a 71-65 win over Governor's Academy on Wednesday. The win over Governor's capped off an undefeated 3-0 week for Andover.

Andover recorded its first of the three spectacular wins in a convincing 58-44 victory last Friday at Milton. Seeking to start the season right, Andover came out with great energy from the opening tip. Solid team defense and improved free throw shooting greatly contributed to the win. In previous losses, Andover struggled with free throws. On Friday, the team went 8 for 12 from the line. Captain Brian Russell '09 led the team in scoring with 13 points, while Zach Burdeau '09 had 11.

Andover returned to its home court Saturday for what looked to be a difficult matchup against Tabor. In a thrilling nail-biter, Andover emerged victorious, 58-57. In the first half, Tabor took control and moved the ball around with ease. In the first half, the visiting team took the ball to the hoop to convert high percentage shots. Andover struggled with its transition defense, allowing Tabor to head into the half with a 33-25 lead.

Andover entered the second half with renewed focus. Only one minute into the half, Palleschi sunk two putbacks on consecutive times up the court to cut Tabor's lead in half.

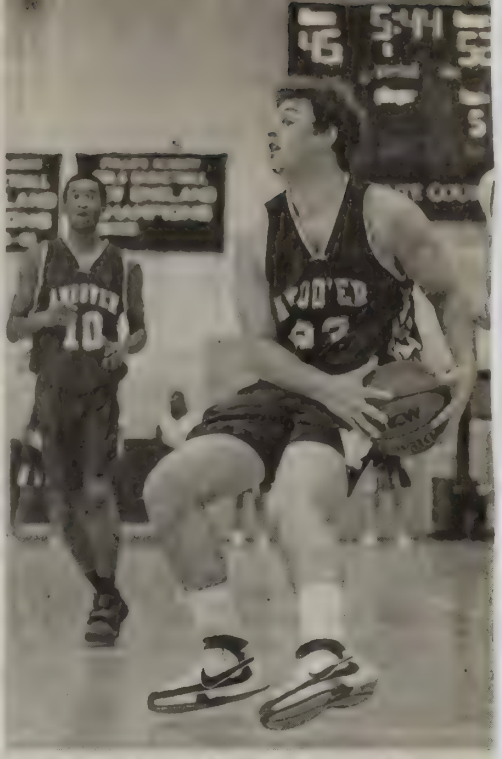
Late in the game, Palleschi came through again by blocking three shots in less than two minutes. Burdeau nailed a clutch 3-pointer with 2:30 left in the game to put Andover within one.

30 seconds later, Andover stole the ball and took it in for a quick transition bucket. Down by one with 30 seconds left, Khalid McCaskill '10 stole the ball and passed it up to Burdeau for a layup. Andover held on to its one point lead as time expired to pick up its second straight win.

After jumping out to an early lead, Andover defeated Governor's Academy 71-65 on Wednesday. With terrific ball movement and some nice fast break buckets, Andover seized a 19-8 lead midway through the first half. Despite Governor's efforts, Andover never trailed and locked up the win.

Palleschi had 14 points, 13 rebounds, and 10 blocks to pick up a triple double.

Andover hopes to sustain its winning streak on Saturday against visiting Deerfield.



M. DISCENZA (LEFT) A. LEVINE (RIGHT)/ *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Tom Palleschi '12 (left) looks to take a shot. Zach Burdeau '09 (right) stops to pass the rock.

BOYS BASKETBALL

Andover Bounces Back from Two-point Loss to Top KUA 76-65

By Blake Grubbs
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Deerfield	58
Andover	56

Andover	76
KUA	65

With three players scoring more than 15 points for Andover in its game against KUA this past week, Andover brought its record to 4-6 on the season and has now won four of its last five games. The team split its two games this week, losing to Deerfield and easily beating KUA on Wednesday.

Last Saturday, Deerfield came to town and played a tough game, one in which Coach Modeste said, "We just did not play well." Andover lost the game 58-56 to end its three-game winning streak.

With both teams trading buckets and keeping the score within five for most of the first half, the teams entered halftime tied, 31-31.

Coming out in the third quarter, Deerfield came out strong with great passing and ball movement to pull ahead early. Andover trailed by slim margins for most of the second half, but continuously chipped away at Deerfield's leads, especially in the final two minutes. However, it seemed that the team's effort was too little, too late, as Deerfield squeaked out the victory. Adam Skaggs '09 had a great game from behind the arc scoring 12 of his points off of four three-pointers. Despite the tough loss, Khalid McCaskill '10 said, "Our team has evolved exponentially since the New Year and we are looking to only get better and hopefully make noise in our league."

The team certainly made some noise on Monday pulling out a huge victory against a KUA team which had previously defeated Andover 73-65. Andover scored quickly in the first quarter and kept expanding on their lead as the half went on. Both Skaggs and Thomas Palleschi '12 contributed with several three-pointers. To cap off a well-played first half, McCaskill hit one more three-pointer right before the buzzer, leading the game into halftime 45-26.

Looking to hold onto its lead, Andover entered the third quarter with a 10-1 scoring run. The team dominated the boards the rest of the second half, at one point leading by 20 points. Despite the 11 fouls committed, Andover led a balanced scoring attack and defeated KUA 76-65. The teams leading scorers included Zach Burdeau '09 with 16, and Palleschi and McCaskill each had 18.

The biggest improvement for Andover so far is the way it has come together as a team. Tom Hamel '10 said, "Now that we've had some time to really play together and learn each other's habits and instincts, we're anticipating each other, which has let us make some game-changing plays." Coach Modeste said, "Not only has everybody on the team become better, but they have become much more cohesive as a unit."

Andover Continues Improvement in Dominating Win Over Rivers

By Blake Grubbs
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	72
Rivers	48

Tilton	89
Andover	56

Andover Boys Basketball is a new team.

After bouncing back from a turbulent start to the season, Andover's 72-48 victory over Rivers School last Thursday marked its most dominating win so far this season. The victory is the team's second straight win with over 70 points scored and its fifth win of its last seven games. Andover improves to a 5-7 record as the team continues to gain strength.

Thomas Palleschi '12 led in scoring with 17 points, 12 of which came in the second half, while Khalid McCaskill '10 scored 14 and Zach Burdeau '09 chipped in with 12 points.

"As a team we are playing much more aggressive," said Co-Captain Menelik Washington '09 of Thursday's victory. "We are passing the ball much better and knocking down our shots the way we should be."

Another important note for Andover, who struggled at the free-throw line in the beginning the season, was the 100 shot percentage from the stripe, sinking nine out of nine free throws.

Great defense and early scoring was key in helping Andover secure an early lead, holding Rivers to just 15 points in the first half. Andover went into the second half with a commanding 15 point lead.

"We had great defense from everyone, especially from [Brian] Sykes ['09] and Tyler [Bond '10]," Coach Modeste said about the first half performance.

Andover entered the third quarter with even more confidence, and the team continued to control the pace of the game as it increase its lead. The Andover players went on a 13-4 scoring run to start the half, hustling even though they were up by a great margin, and never letting back.

Rivers got a few points back at the beginning of the fourth quarter while they were in a zone trap defense, but An-

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A. LEVINE/ *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Adam Skaggs '09 fights for position under the basket.

BOYS BASKETBALL

Tilton Proves Too Strong

Andover Wins 5 of Last 7 Games

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dover quickly adjusted and again pulled ahead.

Bond dominated the boards, and Co-Captain Brian Russell '09 used his agility and knowledge to grab many steals throughout the game.

On Wednesday, Andover traveled up to Tilton in what was sure to be a tough game against a team with three players of Division I college caliber.

The expectations proved to be true, as the 89-56 loss marked the most points Andover has let up all year.

"Their transition game killed us," said Coach Modeste, "they were a very quick and skilled team."

Tilton's leading player scored his 1,000th point for Tilton in just his second year playing.

The tough loss was not attributed to bad play by Andover, but more so by its outstanding opponent.

"We lost a tough one, but ultimately we played well, and much better than last year," Coach Modeste said.

McCaskill led the team with 12 points, followed by Burdeau with 11.

Although it was a hard loss to swallow for Andover, they are trying to put this one behind them and look forward to their next game at Thayer.

J. LEUNG/ *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Co-Captain Brian Russell '09 dribbles the ball past his Nobles defender.

BOYS BASKETBALL

Andover Celebrates Coach Leon Modeste's Birthday with Victory

By Blake Grubbs
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover pulled off its second straight victory of week to improve to 7-7 and reach a .500 winning percentage for the first time this season on Saturday, scoring 54 points on Coach Leon Modeste's 54th birthday in a victory over Noble and Greenough School.

In a very low scoring game, Andover was fueled by an energetic home crowd. After a scrappy and hard-fought first half, Andover went into halftime with a slim 27-25 lead. As the team came back onto the court for the second half of play, the entire crowd in DiClemente Court joined in singing 'Happy Birthday' to Coach Modeste.

"It was really great, but you know, that's Andover," said Modeste.

With nine minutes left in the second half, Khalid McCaskill '10 came through on the defensive end with a block, leadin to a crucial 3-pointer by Adam Skaggs '09 in transition. Going into a timeout with seven minutes left, Andover was up by just one point, 40-39, and in foul trouble with eight team fouls.

From then on, Andover tried to keep the fouls to a minimum and picked up offensive pace behind another 3 by Skaggs to put Andover now up by six points. With what seemed to be all the momentum, Andover faltered after a Noble's timeout. Nobles came back with eight unanswered points to pull ahead 47-45.

To bring Andover back into the lead, McCaskill hit all of his jumpers in scoring 15 second half points. On the defensive end, there were some stellar blocks and stops by Thomas Palleschi '12.

McCaskill sealed the victory by hitting two free throws with 26 seconds remaining in the game, giving Andover its second straight win, 54-47.

"Khalid stepped up big for us. And of course we have that man-child [Palleschi] in the middle stopping everything," Modeste said. McCaskill had 17 points in the winning effort, followed by Skaggs with 10 points and Cathal Finn '09 with eight points.

Last Friday, Andover traveled to Thayer for a game that resulted in an 85-64 victory. Skaggs scored 20 points as the team claimed a quick lead and never let go. The team had a great transition offense and had great contributions by McCaskill on the offensive end.

The young Thayer team fought back and shortened Andover's lead for a little while, but after putting the starters back into the game, got the lead back and kept it. McCaskill sealed the deal for Andover with the team's first dunk of the season towards the end of the game.

"It was a good win for us. We hit our shots and played great defense," said Modeste.

This past Wednesday, Andover picked up a loss against Tabor after two very good games to bring their record back down to 7-8. Skaggs had 20 points again and Zach Burdeau '09 chipped in with 12.

In an overall sloppy game, Modeste said "We had sloppy passing, and too many turnovers."

"The defensive end was fine, we just couldn't make a shot," he said. After the 70-64 loss, however, Andover's playoff chances are still alive with 5 tough road games ahead to end the season.

Andover Looks Ahead After Tough Loss

By Blake Grubbs
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

NMH	102
Andover	64

After a 38 point loss to a daunting Northfield Mount Herman team last Friday, Andover's record fell to 7-9 on the season.

Since NMH was at one point the top team in the entire league, the loss was not that much of a surprise.

"It was just surreal how good they were," Coach Leon Modeste said. "They were so much better than us."

The far superior competition was not an excuse for Andover's play, however.

There was not much Andover could do any better against this team that usually plays under college rules because of their skill level.

Co-captain Menelik Washington '09 said that "[NMH] is a team full of Division 1 recruits so there wasn't much to be done.

However, we do need to work on our transition defense still."

Either way, the team suffered their second straight loss 102-64, the most points Andover has allowed so far this season.

It didn't help that both captains for Andover were unable to play in Friday's game, as Brian Russell '09 was out with an illness and Washington was out with an injury.

Andover is looking to move forward though, with four games left and its slim playoff chances still alive. Andover needs to win three out of the next four games in order still be in contention for a playoff spot.

It will be tough to compete for that last playoff spot, as the teams that they have left to play on their schedule have proven to be challenging in the past.

Andover plays Brooks, Brimmer & May, Deerfield, and Exeter to finish out the season.

"The best way to get back on track is if the team works together and everyone goes hard," said Kevin Paul '10.

He continued, "Everyone needs to give 100% every day."

When asked if the team would be mentally drained or feel down about the two straight losses going into the final stretch of the season, Modeste said, "They won't get down at all. The leaders on our team, the seniors, and PG's know that these are possibly their last games of competitive basketball ever, so they want it badly."

Players also added that it might have actually been good to play a great team like Northfield Mount Herman, because it could show the kids how much hard work it takes to be great.

As practices continue for Boys Basketball, they will look forward and prepare for the road ahead.

Win Over Deerfield Highlights 2-1 Week

By Blake Grubbs
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

In a key 65-59 win over Deerfield, Andover avenged its loss to Deerfield from earlier in the season in decisive fashion.

On the week, Andover went 2-1 against three strong teams of Brooks School, Deerfield, and Brimmer and May. Its only loss came against Brimmer and May after two strong performances against Deerfield and Brooks.

The team made the quick drive up to North Andover last Thursday and picked up a solid win against an always challenging opponent, Brooks School.

In a very close game, Andover and Brooks went back and forth in a fast paced game filled with good defensive performances.

Despite the fact that the game was so close, Andover appeared to have the slight edge against Brooks and came out on top, picking up their eighth win of the season, 48-46.

Even though both teams were evenly matched, Andover's season-long deficit from the foul line caused them trouble once again. Ultimately, it was the cause of such a close game.

"Lately, we have been struggling from the line. It's been somewhat of an Achilles heel of ours, and we were lucky that we were still able to get the win," Coach Modeste said.

Despite the poor free throw shooting, some major scorers for Andover included Adam Skaggs '09 with 12 points, and Thomas Palleschi '12 and Khalid McCaskill '10 with 10 each.

Next on their schedule was Brimmer and May, a team that had destroyed Andover in a scrimmage at the very start of the season. After getting down by as much as 16 points at the beginning of the game, Andover was able to claw its way back to within four points.

Although it fought hard throughout the whole game to overcome such deficits, Andover lost by seven, 60-53.

Such a close score was a major improvement from their scrimmage in the beginning of the season, a scrimmage in which Andover lost by a much more substantial margin. When asked about their improved performance, Coach Leon Modeste said, "Simply, we are just more of a team now than we were then. It takes a while to learn each other's strengths and weaknesses, and we were no different."

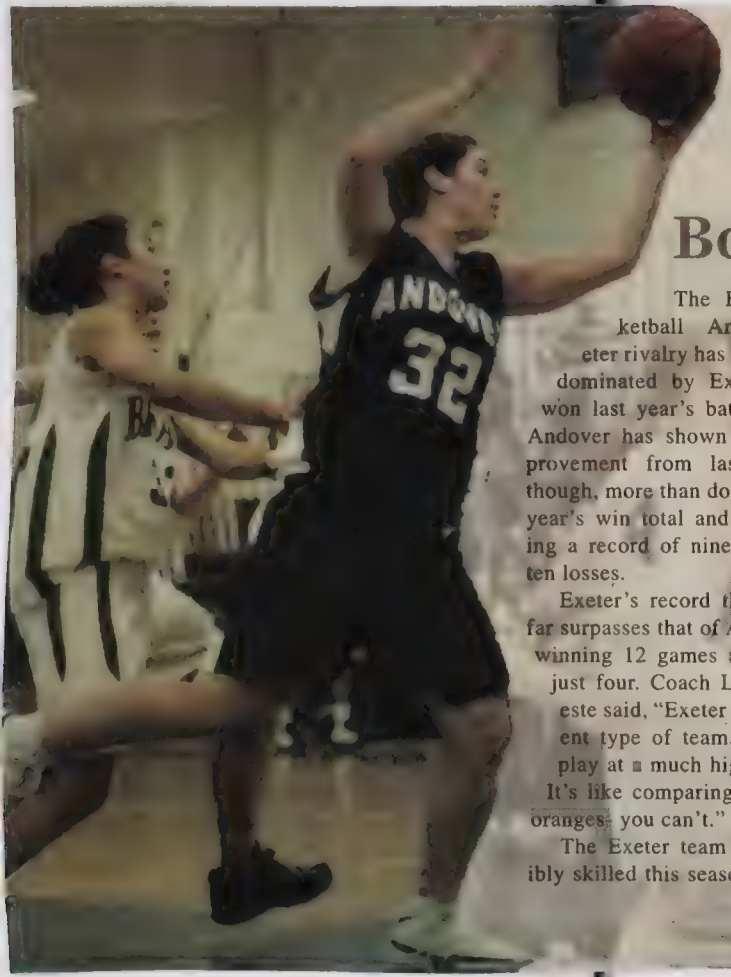
Although they lost, this was definitely one of Andover's best games of the season. Leading the scoring for Andover was Palleschi with 12 points, followed by McCaskill with 11, including three 3-pointers. Zach Burdeau '12 also chipped in with 10 points.

In Andover's second-to-last game of the season, the team picked up a very convincing win at Deerfield. After a stellar first half, Andover found themselves up by 16 points.

In the second half, Deerfield gained ground on Andover. Despite their efforts, the game ended with Andover on top by six for their ninth win of the season.

Andover wraps the season up this Saturday against rival Phillips Exeter Academy. This will mark the first time Andover has played Exeter in the past two years due to Andover dropping to a different league before the start of last year's season.

"Exeter has a very deep and mature team. They are fast, they can dribble, and they can shoot. It is definitely going to be tough for us to pull out a win," Modeste said.



Basketball

Boys

The Boys Basketball Andover/Exeter rivalry has often been dominated by Exeter, who won last year's battle 73-46. Andover has shown great improvement from last season, though, more than doubling last year's win total and maintaining a record of nine wins and ten losses.

Exeter's record this season far surpasses that of Andover's, winning 12 games and losing just four. Coach Leon Modeste said, "Exeter is a different type of team, and they play at a much higher level. It's like comparing apples to oranges; you can't."

The Exeter team is incredibly skilled this season. "They can shoot, pass, ball handle, and run the ball up and down the court," said Modeste.

With a slight chance of going to playoffs, Andover heads into the game prepared for an intense match. Modeste said, "For the seniors and post grads on the team, it will most likely be their last game playing competitive basketball. This is their last chance to show what they got. ...This is our playoff."

Girls

On Saturday, the traditional Andover/Exeter rivalry will run passionately through the veins of each Andover Girls Basketball player as they dress to play on Exeter's court.

Andover hopes to bring its winning streak to 15 with a victory against Exeter before heading into playoffs. Although Andover has already defeated Exeter this season, Ansley White '10 said, "We can't just expect to beat Exeter, because you never know what can happen in an intense rivalry game."

Even though Andover has already qualified for the playoffs, this game is crucial due to the spirit of Andover/Exeter.

Andover has been preparing to defeat Exeter's offensive powerhouse since they last met earlier in the season. Andover plans to focus on its own game, though, as opposed to worrying about the other team's play. "We're going to have to set the pace against Exeter," White said.

The keys to defeating Exeter will be strong offensive ball movement, a tight defense, and good transitions between the two. Co-Captain Catherine Coppinger '09 said, "Our main focus will be keeping Exeter away from the free-throw line."

The rivals will face off at 4:15 on Saturday.

Andover Basketball	
Boys	9-10
Girls	16-2

Exeter Basketball	
Boys	12-4
Girls	9-8

Sport: Girls Basketball

Year: 2009

Captains: Becca Bendetson, Catherine Coppinger

Coach: Lani Silversides

Assistant Coach: Christine Cloonan

Season Record

Won 17 Lost 3 Tied 0

Reached NE Finals

Letterwinners

Amorosa, Laura
Bendetson, Rebecca
Coppinger, Catherine
DiPerno, Kourtney
Garbarino, Alayna
Gardner, Riley
Hardy, Jasmine
McDonough, Anne
Powers, Kelly
Robertson, Megan
Walker, Alexis
White, Ansley

PHILLIPS ACADEMY- ANDOVER
GIRLS' VARSITY BASKETBALL
2008-2009

No	Name	Pos	Yr	Hometown
4	Garbarino, Alayna	G	2010	Reading, MA
5	Coppinger, Catherine	G	2009	Billerica, MA
11	Hardy, Jasmine	G	2009	Meriden, NH
12	Amorosa, Laura	G/F	2010	Kirkland, CAN
13	Walker, Alexis	G	2012	Oklahoma City, OK
14	Powers, Kelly	G	2011	Saratoga Springs, NY
15	Gardner, Riley	F	2010	Chelmsford, MA
20	Robertson, Megan	F	2011	Tewksbury, MA
22	McDonough, Anne	G	2009	New Canaan, CT
23	DiPerno, Kourtney	G	2009	Westmont, CAN
32	White, Ansley	F	2010	Cumberland, ME
33	Bendetson, Rebecca	G	2009	Andover, MA

HEAD COACH: LANI SILVERSIDES
ASSISTANT COACH: CHRISTINE CLOONAN

Captains: Catherine Coppinger Rebecca Bendetson

Managers: Chelsea Quezergue, Lauren King, & Jessica Moreno

Schedule and Record

Record: 17/3/0

DATE/TIME	OPPONENT	H/A	TYPE	SCORE
12/3 @ 3:30 PM	Worcester Academy	H	Game	L 43-52
12/6 @ 4:15 PM	New Hampton School	A	Game	W 49-39
12/14 @ 10:00 AM	Andover High School	H	Game	
12/15 @ 4:00 PM	Loomis Chaffee School	A	Game	W 47-39
1/4 @ 4:00 PM	Notre Dame of Fitchburg	A	Game	L 55-62
1/4 @ 6:00 PM	Hill School	A	Game	W 60-38
1/7 @ 4:45 PM	Cushing Academy	A	Game	Canceled
1/10 @ 12:15 PM	Choate Rosemary Hall	A	Game	W 54-44
1/14 @ 3:30 PM	Tabor Academy	A	Game	W 53-43
1/17 @ 1:00 PM	Milton Academy	H	Game	W 43-31
1/21 @ 4:45 PM	Thayer Academy	A	Game	W 53-25
1/24 @ 4:15 PM	Deerfield Academy	A	Game	W 58-28
1/28 @ 3:30 PM	Noble & Greenough School	H	Game	CANCELED
1/31 @ 2:15 PM	Worcester Academy	A	Game	W 46-44
2/2 @ 4:30 PM	Brooks School	H	Game	W 75-40
2/7 @ 2:30 PM	Phillips Exeter Academy	H	Game	W 56-41
2/11 @ 3:30 PM	Tabor Academy	H	Game	W 63-32
2/13 @ 6:15 PM	Suffield Academy	A	Game	W 52-45
2/18 @ 4:45 PM	Buckingham Browne & Nichols	A	Game	W 56-38
2/20 @ 6:00 PM	Northfield Mount Herman	H	Game	W 53-33
2/25 @ 3:45 PM	The Rivers School	H	Game	W 52-33
2/28 @ 4:15 PM	Phillips Exeter Academy	A	Game	L 48-51
3/4 @ 4:00 PM	Exeter	H	Tournament	W 78-60
3/6 @ 5:00 PM	New Hampton	H	Tournament	

Highlights

New Hampton
12/6/2008

After a long bus ride to snowy New Hampshire, Andover stepped onto to the court with a desire to win, which kept the team ahead throughout the entire game. In their 49-39 victory, the Blue rose to the challenge presented by a physical and hard working opponent and maintained a high level of intensity for the full 32 minutes. Megan Robertson ´11 and Jasmine Hardy ´09 each played every one of those minutes with Robertson dominating the boards, grabbing 14 rebounds and adding 5 points, while Hardy contributed 9 points, including a 3-point shot. Kourtney Diperno ´09 was the leading scorer with 17 points, 5 of which she earned on the foul line. Laura Amorosa ´10 was also a big contributor with 14 points and 7 rebounds. The team is now 1-1 heading into exam week and will return to action against Andover High on Sunday at 10:00 AM in Memorial Gym.

Milton
1/17/2009

It's first home game of 2009, Andover maintained control and composure for the full 32 minutes of its match up against Milton. Big Blue led throughout the contest, but Milton was able to bring the lead down to two points at the half when the score was 17-15. With the help of leading scorers Jasmine Hardy '09 with 13 points, Laura Amorosa '10 with 11 points and Annie McDonough '09 with 8 points, Andover increased its lead over the second half. Megan Robertson '11 and Ansley White '10 both contributed by grabbing, respectively, 10 and 7 rebounds.

Deerfield
1/25/2009

On the road again, Andover took control of the game against Deerfield from the start by playing tough defense and solid offense. The highest scorer of the game between both teams was Kourtney Diperno '10 with 15 points. Ansley White '10, who made the final bucket in the last few seconds of the game, followed closely behind Diperno with 14 points and also contributed 8 rebounds. Laura Amorosa '10 also had double digit points with 11. Meanwhile, Megan Robertson '11 dominated the boards with 16 rebounds and added 8 points to the scoreboard.

Exeter
2/7/2009

Andover and Exeter faced each other on Big Blue's court for their first match up of the season. The highest scorer for Andover was Laura Amorosa '10 with 13 points. She was followed closely by both Kourtney Diperno '09 and Ansley White '10 who each had 12 points. Jasmine Hardy '09 also contributed 11 points.

Exeter
3/5/2009

The Andover girls came out strong gaining as much as a 20 point lead in the first half. Exeter switched their defense and then fought back hard narrowing the gap to just 2 points at half-time including 12 points in free-throws. The Andover team stepped it up on defense again in the second half to help increase the lead again. The final score of the game was Andover 78 Exeter 60. Kourtney DiPerno led the team with 25 points, followed closely by Laura Amorosa with 21 and Jasmine Hardy with 16. The team had their strongest offensive game of the season and will hope to bring the same intensity to Friday¹s semi-final game at home vs New Hampton at 5:00PM.

Girls Basketball Reloads with Fresh Talent After .500 Season

By Shannon McSweeney
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	**43**
Worcester	**52**

After an up-and-down season, Andover finished off the 2007-08 season with a thrilling victory over rival Exeter. Led by Captains Catherine Coppinger '09 and Becca Bendetson '09, Andover hopes to build on the solid foundation established by last year's 10-10 record.

Throughout the off-season, the entire Andover lineup has been working hard to fill the big shoes of the star players from last season: Kelly Fox '08 and Hailee Minor '08. In the opening weeks, Andover has focused on improving its rebounding.

Although the team has been "plagued with injuries," according to Coach Lani Silversides, Andover possesses a great blend of promising new prospects and strong returners. Kourtney Diperno '09, Ansley White '10 and Megan Robertson '11 return to the starting lineup. In addition, with the arrival of newcomer Jasmine Hardy, a post-graduate who has committed to New Haven for next year, the team looks to generate relentless defense.

Laura Amorosa '10 promises to make a great contribution to the team's offense as well as posing a defensive threat. Coppinger, Bendetson and Annie McDonough '09 will use their past experience to help familiarize the new players with the spirit of the Andover program.

Riley Gardner '10, Kelly Powers '11, Alayna Garbarino '10 and Alexis Walker '12 finish off the Andover roster.

Amorosa just recuperated from a knee injury, while Bendetson, McDonough and Powers are all currently on the bench due to injuries. Although unfavorable, the injuries should not pose a setback to Andover because the team has many versatile players.

In Andover's season opener on Wednesday, Andover shook off a slow start to give Worcester Academy a great game. Worcester was a skilled team, and the game served as great preparation for the Andover players as they prepare for an upcoming tough stretch of games. Despite the 43-52 loss, Andover will be sure to come out strong in their next game on Saturday at New Hampton.

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Megan Robertson '11 shoots over the outstreched hand of a Worcester Academy defender

DiPerno '09 Leads Team Scoring; Boosts Andover Girls to a 3-2 Start

By Shannon McSweeney
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

As the clock struck 0:00 in its second game of the year, Andover Girls Basketball knew it had clinched its first victory of the season against a strong New Hampton squad.

After a disappointing loss in its opening game against Cushing, the strong team dynamic had given the squad some cushion to bounce back on, leading to their big victory over New Hampton, 49-39.

Megan Robertson '11 and Jasmine Hardy '09 both played the entire game, while Kourtney DiPerno '09 led the team with 17 points. PA worked hard to keep the lead throughout the entire game. When the whistle blew and time ran out, Andover found itself on top for its first win of the season.

After this big win, Andover scrimmaged cross-town rivals Andover High. It was clear that Andover High dominated most of the game. The PA girls had some brilliant moments, but for the most part, they allowed Andover High to set the pace of the game.

Not only did the loss to AHS show the team the things it had to work on, it also gave Andover a strong desire to win their next game against Loomis Chaffee.

Stepping onto the court to face Loomis, Andover won 47-39.

They played a very clean game, making crisp and accurate passes.

Exceptional players in this game were Laura Amorosa '10, Hardy, and DiPerno, who scored 13 points, 11 points, and 10 points respectively. Another stand-out player of the game was Robertson who provided the team five rebounds.

Over winter break, the girls in blue traveled to Tabor for a tournament in which they faced two schools: Notre Dame of Fitchburg and the Hill School.

For their first match-up, Andover was pitted in a very physical match against Notre Dame.

The game started out very flat and did not have the spirit of a regular game for Andover; it was more lackadaisical. Andover let Notre Dame set the pace in the beginning of the game, allowing Andover's opponents to take control from the beginning.

Although Andover put up a tough fight against its dominant opponent, it eventually suffered a defeat in their first game of the tournament.

In their next game against the Hill School, Andover made sure to come out hard and dictate the game to return to school with another win under their belts. Led by DiPerno, who scored 16 points, Andover beat Hill by a wide margin.

Although its game on Wednesday against Cushing Academy was cancelled due to bad weather, the break gave the team time to rest up for future opponents.

Robertson said, "The team almost has the complete roster back and healthy."

This will certainly help the team's depth and versatility on the court in their game this weekend against Choate.

Unselfish Team Play Leads Andover to Two Straight Victories

By Shannon McSweeney
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	54
Choate	44
Andover	53
Tabor	43

Jasmine Hardy '09 and Ansley White '10 both reached double-digit points in a hard-fought victory over Choate, 54-44. On Wednesday, the Girls Basketball team won handily yet again, bringing the team's record to an impressive 5-2 on the season.

After a slow start to the season, the team has continued to come together and learn how to work best with one another. The improving team dynamics shined in the two victories this past week, as Andover's focus on unselfish and cooperative play paid off in a big way.

Against Choate, Andover managed to pull out a victory despite less than perfect play.

Laura Amorosa '10 said, "We had the lead throughout the entire game, but it was close towards the end because we rushed the ball too much. After a time out, we were able to regain our poise and concentration to get a big lead back."

Even though the team may not have played their finest game, they certainly had their moments of energy and strong play to secure their win.

Keeping the lead throughout the entire game, Andover made sure to meet the goals that they set for themselves prior to the game. Leading scorers were Hardy, with 14 points, and White, with 10 points.

Also attacking the boards were Amorosa and Kourtney DiPerno '09. Andover won the game with their free throws, going 20 for 23 on the day.

Playing at Tabor Academy on Wednesday, the girls won with a score of 53-43. Andover played with a lot of heart and aggression, coming out with a fast start and putting pressure on Tabor.

"We kept a consistent lead and our hard work in practices reflected in the game. We've been working on hard cuts and crisp passes, and that allowed us to break up Tabor's defense," said Riley Gardner '10.

After making adjustments following the Choate win, Hardy led the team in points with her three-pointers. Amorosa also helped cushion Andover's lead.

DiPerno and Megan Robertson '11 played hard and came up with most of the team's rebounds, and White helped the team with her outside shots and her aggressive play.

"We played really well as a team and because of this we had a good outcome, beating a team that we couldn't beat in the last four years," said DiPerno.

Andover now has 11 out of their 12 players healthy and playing. With a tough start to their season due to many injuries, the team has managed to stay strong despite the challenges they have faced with a small roster. Now, with almost everyone back and healthy, the team has a deeper, more flexible roster.

Andover has a home game this Saturday, against Milton Academy, at 1:00 in Borden Gym.

Aggressive Rebounding Helps Andover Top Milton and Thayer

By Shannon McSweeney
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	43
Milton	31

Andover	53
Thayer	25

Ansley White '10 and Megan Robertson '11 racked up 17 rebounds for Andover, overpowering Milton Academy with height and aggressive play to catalyze the Andover offense in a 43-31 victory.

Helping bring the team to a victory, Jasmine Hardy '09 scored 13 points and Laura Amorosa '10 added 11 points.

Co-Captain Annie McDonough '09 also contributed with 8 points on the board for Andover.

Milton battled neck and neck with Andover throughout the entire first half, and the teams entered halftime with a slim, two-point Andover advantage.

"In the first half, we had a big lead but at the end of the half, we started slacking and gave up a bit of our lead. In the second half, we came out strong and wanted it more, played as a team and dominated to the end," said Amorosa.

The girls used halftime to regain their composure and energy, coming out on fire in the second half.

The Andover girls added aggression in the second half, particularly on the boards, was key to Andover's victory as the team improved to 6-2.

Kelly Fox '08, the captain of last year's squad, returned to watch Andover's first home game of 2009.

Fox said it was great to be able to come back and watch her team win, and the aspect that stood out the most to Fox was to see the girls working as a "cohesive unit" on the court.

White and Robertson combined to provide a powerful force down low for Andover, keeping the ball in Andover's possesioin.

Kourtney DiPerno '09 and Alayna Garbarino '10 were also key members for Andover, spreading the ball for open shots at the top of the key.

In a well-played game at Thayer Academy on Wednesday, Andover destroyed Thayer 53-25.

Both teams played

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Jasmine Hardy '09 dives for a loose ball.

Hardy '09 Leads Scoring

Team Improves Record to 6-2

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well-executed basketball, but Andover played one of their most cohesive games yet to earn the win.

Andover took accurate shots and consistently had strong ball reversal.

"Thayer was a very scrappy team, but we worked hard to hold onto the ball," said DiPerno.

Other stars for Andover were Hardy and McDonough, both of whom helped to rack up the score with a combination of points and rebounds, helping a short-handed team due to a finger injury to Amorosa during warm-ups.

To help the Andover cause, Thayer was a relatively short team, making it easier for Andover the control the pace of the game with frequent rebounds.

The combination of terrific passing to create scoring opportunities for Andover and Thayer disorganization propelled Andover to its fifth win of the season.

On Saturday, Andover will face off with Deerfield Academy.

DiPerno '09 and White '10 Lead Offense in Victory Over Deerfield

By Shannon McSweeney
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	**58**
Deerfield	**28**

From the tipoff until the final buzzer, Andover Girls Basketball dominated Deerfield on Deerfield's home court. The final score of the game was a blowout, with Andover winning by 30 in a 58-28 rout of their rival.

This first-class win earned Andover a spot atop the very challenging New England Class A league.

Although it was truly a team effort from the spirit on the bench to the presence on the court, starters Jasmine Hardy '09, Kourtney Diperno '09, Ansley White '10, Laura Amorosa '10 and Megan Robertson '11, all played phenomenal games for Andover.

According to Co-Captain Catherine Coppinger '09, "Our energy from the bench had an awesome impact on the outcome of the game. The entire team was focused on the game and determined to win."

Staying composed throughout the game, Andover worked hard on defense to increase their offensive opportunities. The defensive pace was set by Andover when the team shut out Deerfield completely, not allowing them to score for five minutes by demonstrating excellent defense. Deerfield was hardly allowed any open shots or allowed to get any rebounds without a hard fight under the glass..

Offensively, Diperno was the leading scorer, draining 15 points. Behind Diperno in scoring was White in a close second with 14 points. Robertson attacked the boards with 16 rebounds in addition to her 8 points.

Andover's communication was led by White, who played a great game on all accounts, adding 8 rebounds to her already dominating performance that translated on to the scoreboard.

Diperno played phenomenally throughout the entire game. She demonstrated a great work ethic and was accurate with her three-point shooting and lay-ups. Diperno helped push the team up the court for each offensive possession.

As the team grows closer off the court, it transfers over to "unselfish, smart performances on the court," said Annie McDonough '09. Andover's team spirit has helped them demonstrate unbelievable dynamic on the court, something that Co-Captain Becca Bendetson '09 has encouraged the team to accomplish.

Due to weather, Andover's game this past Wednesday was cancelled.

Its next matchup is against Worcester Academy this coming Saturday. WA has a strong offense and a tight defense.

This versatility in WA's game has earned them a 9-2 record during the season.

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Kourtney DiPerno '09 fights for the ball against a Brooks opponent, left. Riley Gardner '10 battles her way through traffic, right.

Andover Rolls to Eight Game Winning Streak Team Earns Top Rank in New England

By Shannon McSweeney
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	46
Worcester	44

Andover	75
Brooks	40

In its best game of the season so far, the Girls Basketball team defeated Worcester, securing its spot at number one in the New England Class A rankings.

After losing to Worcester in the first game of the season, Andover came back to beat Worcester Academy 46-44.

Though Worcester had beaten all of Andover's past opponents, Andover was unfazed and "exploded out of the gates and built [its] lead quickly," said Megan Roberston '11.

At the start of the second half, Worcester began to fight back but Andover held onto its lead. Kourtney DiPerno '09 said, "We were able to maintain a lead throughout the game with great composure. We really came together in the last two minutes to get the win."

Before the game, Coach Silversides encouraged the girls to focus on "stopping and scoring" throughout the game. Andover worked possession-by-possession and quickly broke down Worcester's offensive rush.

As the team continues to defeat challenging opponents it gains more confidence in its strength and ability. Jasmine Hardy '09 said, "Worcester was a tough game that forced us to play hard throughout in order to beat them."

Robertson also said that Andover's defensive game was "the best we've played all season".

"We were able to focus on our own game with the other team in mind, rather than keeping our focus on Worcester's performance," said Hardy.

Having lost to this team earlier in the season, Andover retaliated for its previous loss and demonstrated how much it had improved over the course of the season.

After the exciting victory against Worcester, Andover went on to defeat Brooks by a wide margin. Andover used the match against the weaker opponent to specifically to polish its plays. Robertson said, "With such a big lead, we could iron out some of the smaller details that we will need to defeat stronger teams."

With this win Andover continues its winning streak and brings its record to 11-2.

Girls Basketball Continues to Dominate Opponents With Offense

By Shannon McSweeney
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	**56**
Exeter	**41**

Andover	**63**
Tabor	**32**

In a thrilling contest against rival Phillips Exeter the Andover Girls Basketball team dominated 56-41, claiming its ninth straight victory.

The team continues to improve as the season progresses, becoming more cohesive, more consistent and more confident.

Still at number one in the New England Class A rankings, Andover continues to overpower its opponents.

The team continues to play game-by-game, focusing only on the next game as the most important.

The game against Exeter was close throughout, but Andover maintained its hustle and composure.

The Andover team was able to keep its focus because it went into the game prepared.

"We didn't take Exeter for granted, and we didn't underestimate them," said Laura Amorosa '10.

Under the pressure of playing a rival, each player stepped up ready to play her best game. Megan Robertson '11 and Amorosa each had standout performances on Saturday, playing their best games yet.

The team also played smart, tight defense to create more possessions, and they were able to use their possessions wisely.

The team played at home on Wednesday against Tabor, the second seeded team in the league.

Andover came through with a 63-32 victory, asserting their strength and dominance in the Class A league.

The Tabor victory highlighted Andover's improvement, since last time these teams faced off Andover won by only ten points.

"This time we stepped our game up, which allowed us to win by almost 30 points," said Riley Gardner '10.

"We worked really well passing the ball and finding the open player, which allowed us to take higher percentage shots," said Robertson.

Jasmine Hardy '09, Ansley White '10, Kourtney DiPerno '09, Amorosa and Rober

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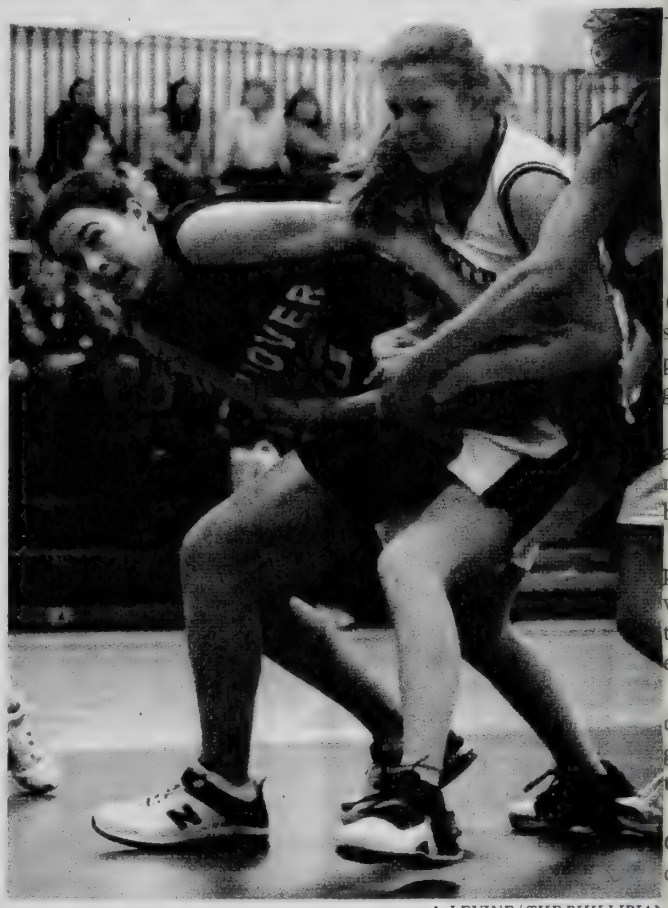

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Megan Robertson '11 fights for possession against Exeter.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Consistent Play Backs Victory

Strong Starting Lineup Leads Team

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ston all shot consistently and played well throughout the game.

Hardy in particular made a big difference on the court, making plays look easy with her cool composure.

Alayna Garbarino '10, played persistent defense, which was aided by Co-Captain Becca Bendetson's '09 energy on the court.

Alexis Walker '12 had incredible presence in the game while Gardner hustled throughout.

Co-Captain Catherine Coppinger '09 played with determined tenacity.

With another successful week completed, the Girls Basketball team looks ahead to continue its ten game winning streak.

Andover's next game against a mediocre Suffield Academy will prove to be a test.

Despite being 6-5 on the season, Suffield is likely to try hard against against a strong Andover opponent.

Andover Rolls to Two More Wins; Hardy '09 Sinks Five Three-Pointers

By Shannon McSweeney
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	52
Suffield Academy	45

Andover	56
BB&N	35

With a 14-2 record and a 12-game winning streak, the sky is the limit for Andover.

Ten games deep into an incredible winning streak, Andover's Girls Basketball Team traveled to Suffield Academy last Friday in hopes of earning its eleventh straight victory.

Andover prevailed to win 52-45, turning potential into reality.

Andover jumped out to a moderate lead at the start and maintained it throughout, slowly crushing Suffield's hopes of a comeback with each passing minute.

With a couple of minutes before the final buzzer, Andover put Suffield away with impressive composure and execution of passes.

Jasmine Hardy '09 stole the show, draining five shots from outside the three-point arc, while also adding another five points on top of that to total 20 points on the day.

Besides her obvious adeptness at scoring, she also led the team on the court with endless hustle and communication.

Laura Amorosa '10 also added 13 points.

Although the game was tight at the end, Andover was able to "keep [it's] composure in order to make crisp passes which led to accurate shots," said Alayna Garbarino '10.

The team's ability to play consistently gets better with every game as they improve their capacity to play with poise.

Ever since the majority of the roster returned from several nagging injuries three weeks ago, the girl's basketball team has remained healthy.

But, in last week's game against Tabor, one of Andover's key players, Annie McDonough '09, was hurt when she fell back on her left wrist after being pushed by a Tabor player.

McDonough may have fractured a bone, but it has not yet been verified.

Until the diagnosis is confirmed, it is unclear as to when McDonough will return to the court.

Andover traveled to Buckingham Browne & Nichols on Wednesday and annihilated the Knights of BB&N, returning victorious with a score of 56-35.

In particular, Andover's Ansley White '10 played an astonishing game.

White dominated the court, making smart, effective plays, as well as grabbing offensive boards.

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GIRLS BASKETBALL

Basketball Improves Streak

Girls Basketball To Stay Home For Upcoming Games

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Andover capitalized on "moving the ball around on offense," said McDonough.

This opened opportunities for Andover, allowing the team to score 56 points.

Megan Robertson '11 said that the team "worked the ball around, enabling [it] to get lay-ups and close jump shots."

Defensively, Co-Captain Becca Bendetson '09 was relentless, playing tenacious, determined defense.

Bendetson disregarded BB&N's fouls, focusing entirely on helping her own team.

Next up on Andover's schedule are home games against Northfield Mount Herman and The Rivers School in front of their home crowd.

Basketball Wins 14th Straight; Hardy '09 Leads Team With Vision

By Shannon McSweeney
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

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After defeating two more teams at home this week, Andover's Girls Basketball brought its overall winning streak to 14. With only one game remaining in the regular season, the team hopes to clinch a 17-2 record.

Andover crushed NMH at home last Friday with a final score of 53-33. While NMH was not the strongest opponent that Andover has faced this season, the team earned the victory by incorporating the depth of its roster into the game.

After a sluggish start, Andover picked up the intensity to gain a decisive lead over NMH. Riley Gardner '10 said, "One important thing we took away from this was to start and finish our games at a high intensity."

The key to the team's success was "team defense," said Co-Captain Catherine Coppinger '09. Point guard Jasmine Hardy '09 led the team to its victory with her performance on Friday.

"Jasmine is the definition of a good point guard," said Ansley White '10. White added that Hardy excels at keeping the offense flowing, and she also has great vision on the court.

Laura Amorosa '10 also impressed the crowd with her offensive force and persevering attitude. She anticipated each play and had a number of rewarding steals on defense.

Gardner also had a notable game against NMH, adding vital points for the home team and intimidating her opponent with ruthless defense.

Another great performance for Andover came from Co-Captain Becca Bendetson '09. Bendetson used her hustle and tight defensive

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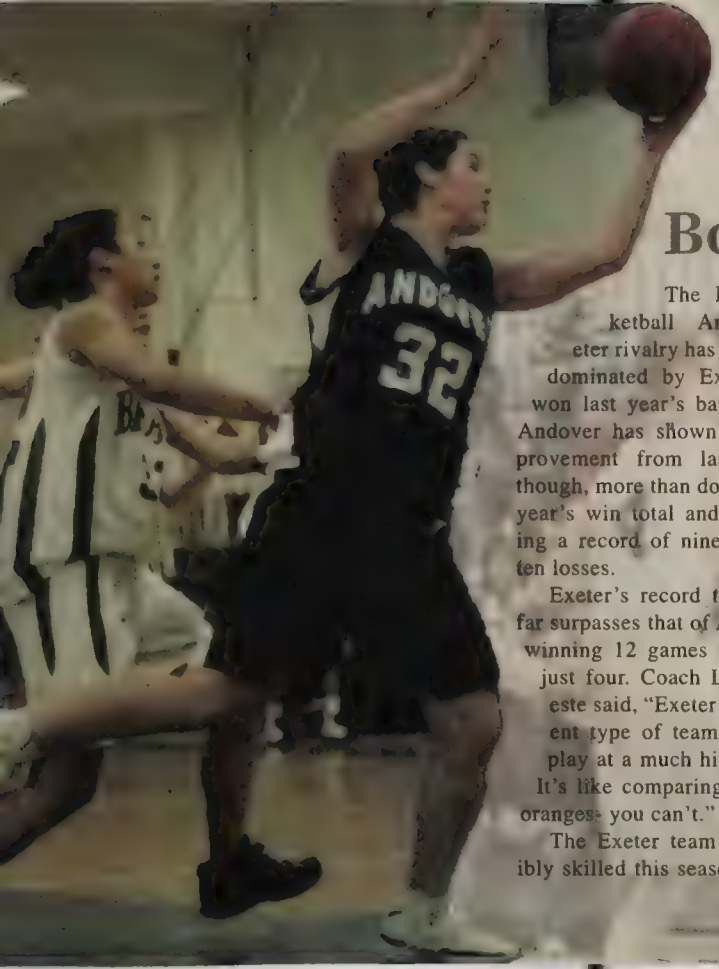
Laura Amorosa '10 drives the lane for a layup.



Basketball

Boys

The Boys Basketball Andover/Exeter rivalry has often been dominated by Exeter, who won last year's battle 73-46. Andover has shown great improvement from last season, though, more than doubling last year's win total and maintaining a record of nine wins and ten losses.

Exeter's record this season far surpasses that of Andover's, winning 12 games and losing just four. Coach Leon Modeste said, "Exeter is a different type of team, and they play at a much higher level. It's like comparing apples to oranges- you can't."

The Exeter team is incredibly skilled this season. "They can shoot, pass, ball handle, and run the ball up and down the court," said Modeste.

With a slight chance of going to playoffs, Andover heads into the game prepared for an intense match. Modeste said, "For the seniors and post grads on the team, it will most likely be their last game playing competitive basketball. This is their last chance to show what they got. ...This is our playoff."

Girls

On Saturday, the traditional Andover/Exeter rivalry will run passionately through the veins of each Andover Girls Basketball player as they dress to play on Exeter's court.

Andover hopes to bring its winning streak to 15 with a victory against Exeter before heading into playoffs. Although Andover has already defeated Exeter this season, Ansley White '10 said, "We can't just expect to beat Exeter, because you never know what can happen in an intense rivalry game."

Even though Andover has already qualified for the playoffs, this game is crucial due to the spirit of Andover/Exeter.

Andover has been preparing to defeat Exeter's offensive powerhouse since they last met earlier in the season. Andover plans to focus on its own game, though, as opposed to worrying about the other team's play. "We're going to have to set the pace against Exeter," White said.

The keys to defeating Exeter will be strong offensive ball movement, a tight defense, and good transitions between the two. Co-Captain Catherine Coppinger '09 said, "Our main focus will be keeping Exeter away from the free-throw line."

The rivals will face off at 4:15 on Saturday.

Andover Basketball	
Boys	9 – 10
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Exeter Basketball	
Boys	12 – 4
Girls	9 – 8

Sport: Boys Hockey

Year: 2009

Captain: Brooks Dyroff

Coach: Dean Boylan

Assistant Coaches: Dan Roy, Jon Morin

Season Record

Won 17 Lost 4 Tied 4

Reached NE Semifinals

Letterwinners

Auffant, Samuel
Braun, Trevor
Carroccio, Bennett
Colson, William
Craven, Nicholas
DiGiulian, John
Duprey, Luke
Dyroff, Brooks
Geary, Joshua
Hathaway, John
Heavey, Ryan
Houghton, James
Kirsch, Tyler
Kreider, Christopher
Lozzi, Michael
McDonagh, Michael
Nelson, Peter
Powers, Daniel
Safstrom, Brian
Stowell, Glenn
Winslow, Jonathan
Yoon, Jaepil

PHILLIPS ACADEMY- ANDOVER
BOYS' VARSITY HOCKEY
2008-2009

No	Name	Yr	Ht	Wt	Pos	Hometown
1	Stowell, Glenn	2009	5'9	185	G	Hadley, MA
2	Winslow, Jonathan	2012	5'11	145	D	Concord, MA
3	Duprey, Luke	2010	6'5	190	D	Concord, NH
5	Colson, William	2010	6'2	175	D	New York, NY
6	Dyroff, Brooks	2009	6'1	190	F	Boulder, CO
7	Heavey, Ryan	2009	5'11	175	D	Andover, MA
8	Safstrom, Brian	2010	6'1	185	F	Woodinville, WA
9	Hathaway, John	2010	6'2	180	F	Kennebunkport, ME
10	Kirsch, Tyler	2012	5'8	165	G	Buffalo, NY
11	DiGiulian, John	2010	5'8	165	F	Alexandria, VA
12	Braun, Trevor	2010	6'1	200	F	Windham, ME
14	Nelson, Peter	2011	5'9	140	F	Peabody, MA
15	Jennings, Tyler	2010	5'7	170	F	Norcross, GA
17	Lozzi, Michael	2009	6'0	180	F	Reading, MA
18	Kreider, Christopher	2010	6'2	200	F	Boxford, MA
19	Geary, Joshua	2009	6'0	180	F	Wellesley, MA
20	Craven, Nicholas	2009	6'3	185	F	Fort Collins, CO
21	McDonagh, Michael	2009	6'1	175	F	Wilmington, MA
22	Houghton, James	2009	5'10	170	D	Westford, MA
23	Carroccio, Bennett	2010	6'0	195	D	Armonk, NY
24	Powers, Daniel	2009	6'1	187	D	Cape Neddick, ME
33	Auffant, Samuel	2009	6'1	180	F	Hampton, NH
35	Yoon, Jaepil	2011	5'8	170	G	Brentwood, TN

HEAD COACH: DEAN BOYLAN
ASSISTANT COACHES: DAN ROY & JON MORIN
Captain: Brooks Dyroff

Managers: Caitlin Aylward, & Sarah Sheu, Julie

Schedule and Record

Record: 17/4/4

DATE/TIME	OPPONENT	H/A	TYPE	SCORE
11/19 @ 4:00 PM	Worcester Academy		Scrimmage	W 6-1
11/21 @ 5:45 PM	Holderness School		Game	W 6-1
12/3 @ 3:30 PM	Lawrence Academy		Game	W 5-3
12/6 @ 6:00 PM	Pomfret School		Game	W 4-1
12/14 @ 2:00 PM	Pingree School	H	Game	W 4-0
12/19 @ 1:00 PM	Westminster- Flood Marr		Game	W 4-1
12/20 @ 9:00 AM	Milton Academy- Flood Marr		Game	W 4-2
12/20 @ 7:00 PM	Hotchkiss School - Flood Marr		Game	W 5-0
12/21 @ 9:00 PM	Nobles & Greenough		Game	L 3-5
1/10 @ 6:00 PM	Choate Rosemary Hall		Game	T 3-3 OT
1/13 @ 4:45 PM	Proctor Academy	H	Game	W 7-1
1/14 @ 2:30 PM	Tilton School	H	Game	L 2-3 (OT)
1/17 @ 5:00 PM	Phillips Exeter Academy	H	Game	W 4-1
1/21 @ 4:30 PM	St. Sebastian's Country Day		Game	T 3-3 OT
1/23 @ 6:30 PM	Thayer Academy	H	Game	W 7-4
1/24 @ 4:30 PM	Noble & Greenough School		Game	W 2-1
1/31 @ 4:30 PM	Loomis Chaffee	H	Game	W 6-2
2/4 @ 3:45 PM	Deerfield Academy		Game	T 3-3 OT
2/6 @ 5:15 PM	Belmont Hill	H	Game	W 5-1
2/11 @ 4:00 PM	Kimball Union Academy	H	Game	W 5-2
2/13 @ 7:00 PM	Governor's Academy		Game	8-2
2/18 @ 3:15 PM	Cushing Academy		Game	T 3-3 (OT)
2/20 @ 6:30 PM	Tabor Academy	H	Game	L 3-4
2/21 @ 6:00 PM	Brooks School	H	Game	CANCELED
2/25 @ 3:30 PM	Northfield Mount Herman	H	Game	W 8-1
2/28 @ 4:00 PM	Phillips Exeter Academy		Game	L 1-6
3/4 @ 5:15 PM	Lawrence Academy		Tournament	W 2-0
3/7 @ 3:30 PM	Salisbury		Tournament	

Holderness

11/21/2008

The boys' varsity hockey team opened their season with a road win at Holderness on Friday night, taming the Bulls 6-1 in very chilly conditions. Chris Kreider got things started for PA off an assist from Mike Lozzi at 10:17 of the first. Kreider scored again from Ryan Heavey 3 minutes later. Holderness cut the lead in half on a power play goal at the 3:55 mark. Brooks Dyroff made it 3-1 from Lozzi at 13:59 of the 2nd period, then Kreider completed his hat trick with 2:53 left, again from Lozzi. Brian Safstrom made a clever conversion in front of the net from Garnet Hathaway a minute later to close the 2nd period with the Blue in charge 5-1. Mike McDonagh finished the scoring in the third period on a hard shot from the point off an assist from Luke Duprey. Glenn Stowell stopped 24 of 25, while the Blue threw 44 shots at his Holderness counterpart. Coach Boylan felt the team made a good start, but emphasized, "We have a lot of work ahead of us."

Milton

12/20/2008

After a closely contested first period that saw both teams keep the puck out of their respective net, Milton got a quick jump out of the gate scoring in the first minute of the second period to take a 1-0 lead. Host Milton notched the second goal of the period before Brian Safstrom cut the lead in half with Andover's first goal of the contest. The third period was all Andover as the Big Blue posted three unanswered goals off the sticks of Garnet Hathaway, Bennett Carroccio, and Chris Kreider to take the game by a final score of 4-2. Senior goaltender Glenn Stowell turned away 25 of 27 shots.

Noble and Greenough

12/21/2008

In the highly anticipated championship game Andover faced-off against host Nobles in a game for the ages. Both teams brought their best to the Sunday matinee and those in attendance were treated to quite a show. A little slow out of the gate, PA feel behind early and trailed Nobles 2-0 at the midway point of the first period. Andover managed to tie the game before the end of the period thanks to a couple of eye-popping plays by Chris Kreider who recorded his fifth and sixth goals of the tournament. The second period saw the teams trade goals—Andover's marker came from Brooks Dyroff—and head into the third period tied 3-3. Unfortunately for the Big Blue, Nobles was able to capitalize on their best scoring opportunities recording two more goals in the third period to win the title in front of their home fans by a final score of 5-3. Senior goaltender Glenn Stowell was once again strong in goal making a number of big saves throughout the game turning away 14 of 19 shots faced.

Proctor

1/13/2009

In a game rescheduled due to inclement weather, Andover at Proctor faced off at Harrison Rink on a Tuesday afternoon. Proctor got on the board first scoring a power-play goal at 12:27 of the first period. However, Proctor was unable to maintain the lead as the Andover offense awoke scoring seven unanswered goals to take the win by a final score of 7-1. The Big Blue got first period goals from junior Chris Kreider and PG Mike Lozzi who found the net on an Andover power-play. Andover's offensive production continued in the second period thanks to its special teams as PG Josh Geary and Kreider—with his second of the game—scored power-play and short-handed markers respectively. Phillips Academy closed the scoring with three third period goals coming off the sticks of senior Ryan Heavey, junior Garnet Hathaway, and junior Trevor Braun who scored the first goal of his high school career. Senior goaltender Glenn Stowell was solid in net turning away 30 of 31 shots in the win.

Tilton

1/14/2009

On a frigid Wednesday afternoon, the Big Blue hosted Tilton Academy at Harrison Rink. Unfortunately, Andover was unable to add a victory to their record losing a closely contested game 3-2 in overtime. The Big Blue got on the board early in the first period when PG Josh Geary found the back of the net with an even-strength marker 4:13 into the frame. Tilton responded before the end of the period scoring a power-play goal at the 13:28 mark. The teams played a scoreless second period heading into the second intermission knotted 1-1. As the teams took to the ice for the third period, the tension mounted ensuring that the final eighteen minutes of play would be closely contested. With just over five minutes to play, Tilton took advantage of some great passing to capitalize on a two-on-one break to take a 2-1 lead. As the period came to a close, Andover pulled senior goaltender Glenn Stowell in favor of an extra attacker. Skating six players to five, the Big Blue were able to capitalize on a scrum in front of the Tilton net when junior defenseman Bennett Carroccio corralled the puck and slipped it into the cage sending the game into overtime. With five minutes on the clock, both Andover and Tilton came hard out of the gate. Unfortunately for the Big Blue, the puck got trapped down low in the Andover zone and on a whim a Tilton player threw the puck towards the front of the net where it hit a skate and snuck past Stowell for the game-winning goal. Once again, Stowell had a strong performance in net turning aside 20 of 23 shots in the loss.

Exeter
1/18/2009

In the first of two games between rivals Andover and Exeter the teams did not disappoint. Early in the second period, Andover broke out to a 1-0 lead when Chris Kreider spotted junior Garnet Hathaway breaking over the blue line and sent him in alone on Exeter junior goalie Max Fenkell. Hathaway beat Fenkell high to the stick side just 1:09 into the period. Senior defenseman Ryan Heavey also picked up an assist on the play. Exeter tied it up when PG Matt Hatch hit PG Dan Weiniger with a nice pass. Weiniger beat Andover senior goalie Glenn Stowell high stick side to tie it up at 1-1 with 2:22 in the second. A minute or so later, Hatch had a great chance to give Exeter a lead they could take into the second intermission, but he couldn't solve Stowell, and the game was tied after two at 1-1. Some would say this save was the difference in the game. The third period started out tentatively with the teams playing conservatively, until Kreider broke loose and came flying down the left side of the ice. There was a little space inside the near post and Kreider jammed the puck toward the opening. It hit the skate of linemate Brooks Dyroff and deflected into the net, giving Andover a 2-1 lead 3:30 into the period. The game picked up in intensity, and Andover kept the pressure on. At the 7:38 mark Andover junior Trevor Braun picked up a loose puck near the blue line, left an Exeter defenseman in his wake and, from below the inside edge of the right faceoff circle, sniped a shot, an unexpected beauty that Fenkell wasn't really set for. It sailed over his right shoulder and into the net to give Andover a 3-1 lead, which was more than they would need today. A Dyroff empty-netter with 51 seconds left sealed it for Andover. Glenn Stowell turned aside 25 of 26 shots on goal for the Big Blue.

Thayer
1/23/2009

In a game that saw eleven goals scored over the course of 54 minutes, offense was not at a shortage in Andover on Friday night. Visiting Thayer got on the board first with a power-play goal scored at the 3:03 mark of the first period. Andover responded with just 18 seconds left in the period when PG Michael Lozzi found the back of the net sending the teams into the first intermission knotted a 1-1. At the 2:52 mark of the second period, Thayer scored its second PP goal of the game to take a 2-1 lead. Andover responded 4:07 into the period when PG Josh Geary managed to sneak the puck past Thayer goaltender Sal Tecci. Less than a minute later, Thayer answered back with their third goal of the game to take a 3-2 lead. The lead was short lived as Andover got on the board again at the 6:25 mark of the period as Senior Nick Craven finished off a great individual effort to tie the game at 3-3. Before the close of the period, Andover took a 4-3 lead on the power-play when Lozzi found the back of the net for his second of the evening. The third period saw the teams trade goals early on with Andover holding a 5-4 edge five minutes into the period. The Big Blue's fifth goal came off the stick of Senior Brooks Dyroff. Host Andover finished off the scoring by adding two more goals before the end of the period—Geary with his second of the night and Lozzi, who recorded a hat trick for PA, scored Andover's sixth and seventh goals respectively. Senior goaltender Glenn Stowell turned away 16 of 20 shots for the win

Deerfield
2/4/2009

On Wednesday afternoon, the Big Blue of Andover headed west to Old Deerfield, MA to play host Deerfield Academy. The closely contested game saw special teams play take hold of the game, as all but one goal came via the power-play. Following a scoreless first period, Deerfield took an early lead capitalizing on a five-on-three man advantage just 50 seconds into the second period. The 1-0 lead stood until Andover got on the board with just 51 seconds remaining in the period when junior Chris Kreider scored a power-play marker for the Big Blue—assists went to senior defenseman Ryan Heavey and junior defenseman Bennett Carroccio. The third period began with the teams knotted at 1-1 and, like the rest of the game was closely contested. Andover managed to take a 2-1 lead at the 8:10 mark of the period when junior Brain Safstrom netted the Big Blue's second power-play goal of the game with assists from junior Garnet Hathaway and PG Jim Houghton. Host Deerfield continued to battle and they were rewarded with the tying goal within two minutes of PA taking the lead. The hosts continued to press and took a 3-2 lead with their second five-on-three goal of the game. As the period was coming to a close, Andover was awarded their final power-play of the game and Kreider (with his second of the afternoon) capitalized scoring an unassisted goal to tie the game at 3-3. Overtime saw neither team get on the board and the game ended in a tie. Deerfield's Casey DeSmith stopped 41 of 44 Andover shots while senior goaltender Glenn Stowell stopped 33 of 36 shots in between the Andover pipes.

Tabor
2/20/2009

On a Friday night in Andover, the Big Blue played host to Tabor. In the first period, visiting Tabor got on the board early scoring just 1:53 into the game. A second Tabor goal came just over four-minutes later when Tabor capitalized on a power-play opportunity to go up 2-0. The Big Blue began to chip away at the Tabor lead and got themselves on the board at the 8:45 mark of the period when junior Garnet Hathaway found the back of the net. Andover drew even at 2-2 thanks to a power-play goal off the stick of PG Josh Geary. In the second period, only Tabor was able to find offensive success scoring the lone goal of the period to take a 3-2 lead into the third. Andover came out strong, but unfortunately found themselves a man-down with less than eight minutes to play in the period. Visiting Tabor was once again able to capitalize on the power-play extending their lead to 4-2. With just under five minutes to play, Andover closed the gap to 4-3 when junior Chris Kreider was able to take advantage of a broken play and pick the top corner from inside the left face-off circle. Despite throwing 23 shots on goal in the final period, the Big Blue was unable to mount a comeback falling by a final score of 4-3. Senior goaltender Glenn Stowell turned aside 24 of 28 shots in the loss.

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Ryan Heavey '09 makes a pass during practice as Andover prepares for a match-up against Choate this Saturday.

Domination at Flood Marr lifts Boys Hockey to 8-1 Start With Bright Hopes in Future Matchups

By Chris Cameron
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

While most students at Phillips Academy were relaxing on break, the Andover Boys Hockey team was hard at work with two regular season games as well as the annual Flood Marr tournament. The team played well, earning two victories over Pomfret and Pingree and a second-place finish in the tournament.

Andover traveled to Pomfret on Saturday, December 6 and defeated the Griffins with a final score of 4-1.

Andover opened the game with a poor first period, but awoke in the second, exploding with four goals.

Goals from Nick Craven '09 and Brian Safstrom '10 put Andover up 2-0. Andover then took advantage of two power-play situations, as Mike Lozzi '09 scored on a 5-on-3 advantage, and Chris Kreider '10 scored on a 5-on-4 to close the period. Andover then held Pomfret in check in the third. Goalie Glenn Stowell '09 stopped 25 of 26 shots in the game to secure the road victory.

In the Sunday following Assessment Week, the Big Blue came out on top against Pingree with a 4-0 win.

Andover started out strong by taking a 2-0 lead in the first period. Kreider and Ryan Heavey '09 provided the scoring, with Heavey's score coming on a power play.

A scoreless second period kept the score at 2-0 going into the final period, and Andover padded its lead on a second goal from Kreider and a goal from Mike McDonagh '09. From that point, Andover cruised to a victory as Eric Yoon '11 stopped 16 shots for the shutout.

In the Flood Marr tournament, Andover played well and earned three victories en route to the championship game.

Andover beat Westminster 4-1 and followed that up with a 4-2 victory over Milton.

Stowell was sharp in a 5-0 shutout of Hotchkiss to close pool play.

These three victories earned Andover a spot in the championship game against Nobles. The game remained tied at 3 after two periods, but Nobles pulled ahead in the final period for a 5-3 win.

"The tournament ended on a sour note with a close loss to Nobles, but that was the best any Andover team has performed at that tournament," said Kreider.

Goalie Stowell and forwards Kreider and Garnet Hathaway '10 all played well during the tournament and were rewarded by being named to the All-Tournament Team.

Andover is now preparing for the bulk of their schedule.

In the next three weeks, Andover will have eight games. The team knows it has a lot to work on to get where they need to be, but so far the team is making good progress.

"I think we are far from complacent and are ready to take on the heart of our schedule over the next few weeks," said Kreider. "Although I think we have an awful lot to work on, I think our performance thus far is extremely promising and I am excited at how well we are gelling as a team rather than individuals."

Andover looks to ride its momentum into an away game against Choate on Saturday and a home game against Tilton on Wednesday.

Geary '09 and Krieder '10 Propel Offense; Andover Suffers OT Loss Against Tilton

By Chris Cameron
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Chris Kreider '10 scored a goal with 24.2 seconds remaining in the game against Tilton on Wednesday, a thrilling finish to regular time to tie the game at 2-2. An unlucky goal by Tilton in overtime, however, ended Andover's momentum and resulted in a 3-2 loss, the team's second loss this season.

In a demanding week, Andover also played against Choate this Saturday and Proctor on Tuesday, giving the team a tie and a win, respectively, to finish the week at 1-1-1.

In the first game, Andover faced a talented Choate team. The team came out sluggish in the first period and fell down early 2-0 in a weak period. However, Andover bounced back in second period, scoring two goals in the middle of the frame.

On a 5-on-3 power play advantage, Josh Geary '09 sent the puck past the goalie to tie the game at 2. Andover lost their momentum, however, as Choate scored with 3 minutes left in the period to put the opposition up 3-2. Andover answered with another goal as Captain Brooks Dyroff '09 scored with assists from Kreider and Mike Lozzi '09 with 10 minutes left in the game.

After Andover's comeback to bring the game into overtime, neither team could capitalize on scoring chances, as the game ended in a 3-3 tie. "We had some good chances to score and win the game, but we failed to finish and capitalize," said Coach Dean Boylan.

On Tuesday, Andover faced Proctor in front of a home crowd at the Harrison Rink. Andover showed no mercy after the frustrating Choate game. Proctor drew blood first with a goal 14 minutes into the game.

The game was all Andover from there on, however, as Lozzi scored the first Andover goal with assists from Dyroff and Ryan Heavey '09. In a very physical second period, Andover scored two goals. Geary scored a power play goal on a clear wrist shot to the top of the net. He was assisted by Brian Safstrom '10 and Garnet Hathaway '10.

Kreider scored a shorthanded goal on a great individual effort when he intercepted a pass and broke away for a clear backhand. At the end of two periods, Andover led 4-1.

In the third, Andover broke the game open with three goals. Heavey, Hathaway and Trevor Braun '10 all scored to bring the final score to 7-1. Glen Stowell '09 was solid in net and physical play from the defense, including some big hits from defensemen Bennett Carroccio '10 and Nick Craven '09, kept Proctor in check.

"We were so successful against Proctor because we were constantly throwing everything on net, working hard along the boards and doing all the little things that make a team successful," said Lozzi.

Andover faced off against Tilton on Wednesday at home. For the first time this week, Andover scored first as Geary continued his hot streak with a goal assisted by Hathaway and Heavey to put Andover up 1-0.

Tilton answered back with a power play goal to close out the first period tied 1-1. After a scoreless second period, Tilton scored with five minutes left in the third to take the lead. Andover pulled the goalie with 1 and a half minutes left. This proved to be a great decision as Kreider scored off a rebound with 24.2 seconds left to tie the game at 2.

Andover had all the momentum going into OT, but Tilton scored about a minute into the period as a centering pass bounced off skates and into the net to end the game, as Tilton won 3-2.

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Mike McDonagh '09 carries the puck across the ice past a Choate defender with Chris Krieder '10 providing support.

Captain Dyroff '09 Contributes Two Goals in Victory Over Exeter

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played spectacularly as he made great save after great save for the bulk of the period. Exeter then responded to a good penalty kill by Andover with a goal to tie up the game with two minutes left in the period. The period ended in a 1-1 tie.

Andover broke the game open in the third period as Dyroff finished on a centering pass by Kreider to put Andover up 2-1. Trevor Braun '10 beat the opposition's defense around the left side. He sent a wrist shot just past the goalie to give Andover a two goal lead. Exeter then pulled their goalie with a minute and a half to go, and Dyroff knocked a loose puck in from the blue line with 52 seconds remaining to put Exeter away for good. As the final buzzer sounded, Andover emerged victorious and improved its record to 9-2-1.

Stowell played great in net, making many saves to shut down Exeter's offense. Luke Duprey '10 and Bennett Carroccio '10 forcing the Exeter offense to turn the puck over continuously.

Andover faced a tough St. Sebastian's team on the road and tied the Arrows 3-3. Kreider scored a hat trick, while linemate Dyroff assisted on two of his goals. Andover held the lead for the first portion of the game. St. Sebastian's tied the score up in the third period with two unlucky goals. Dyroff almost scored late in the third in an attempt to break the tie, but his shot hit the crossbar and bounced out. Although St. Seb's is a very talented team, Dyroff knows that Andover can be better. "We need to work on limiting our penalties and becoming more disciplined," he said.

M. DISCENZA/ *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Garnet Hathaway '10 celebrates the first goal against Exeter on Saturday.

BOYS HOCKEY

1-0-1 Week For Boys Hockey

Kreider '10 Scores Hat Trick vs. St. Sebs

By Chris Cameron
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	4
Exeter	1

Andover	3
St. Sebastian's	3

Led by a two-goal performance from Captain Brooks Dyroff '09, the Andover hockey team defeated rival Exeter 4-1 in front of a packed home crowd on Saturday. Despite a hat trick by Chris Kreider '10, Andover only mustered a 3-3 tie on Wednesday at St. Sebastians.

Against Exeter, both teams battled for puck control in the opening period. After a back and forth first period, Andover and Exeter entered the locker rooms locked up in a scoreless tie.

Andover started scoring in the 2nd, as Kreider hit a streaking Garnet Hathaway '10 with a perfect pass. Hathaway capitalized on the breakaway by beating out the Exeter goalie on the left side. Some good opportunities followed for both Exeter and Andover, but both failed to capitalize. Glenn Stowell '09

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A.LEVINE/ *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Garnet Hathaway '10 and Josh Geary '09 criss-cross as they break up ice in Andover's 7-goal performance vs. Thayer.

Hockey Remains Atop New England Rankings; High-Octane Offense Prevails Against Thayer

By Chris Cameron
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	7
Thayer	4

Andover	2
Nobles	1

A hat trick from Mike Lozzi '09 powered Andover to a 7-4 home win over Thayer on Friday. The next day, Andover edged Nobles 2-1, in a rematch of December's Flood Marr Tournament championship game.

On Friday night, Andover faced Thayer with the advantage of a rowdy home crowd at Harrison Rink. Thayer got on the board first with a power-play goal in the first period. With 18 seconds left in the first frame, however, Lozzi put back a rebound to tie the game at one.

In the second period, both teams' offenses took over. Thayer jumped back in front with another power-play goal, but Andover bounced right back with another goal from Josh Geary '09.

After Thayer scored to go up 3-2, Nick Craven '09 scored a highlight reel goal to knot it up at 3. Just before the end of the second, Lozzi put in his second goal of the night on a power play to give Andover a 4-3 lead.

After Captain Brooks Dyroff '09 added Andover's fifth goal, Thayer scored yet again to make it a one-goal game. Andover then put Thayer away, however, with Geary's second goal and Lozzi's third to give Andover the 7-4 victory.

Lozzi's hat trick was the second consecutive three-goal performance for Andover's first line, as Chris Krieder '09 scored a hat trick in last week's match-up with St. Sebastian's.

"I owe a lot of my personal success in the Thayer game to my linemates," said Lozzi. "They are great to play with."

"Our offensive game was very effective, as we did a good job of putting a lot of shots on goal in the second and third periods," said Coach Dean Boylan.

The following day, Andover visited Nobles in a game that was hard-nosed right from the start. Six minutes into the game, Nobles drew first blood, going up 1-0 on a power-play goal.

Andover tied it up in the second period when Chris Kreider '10 scored on a power play, and the game remained tied 1-1 until the middle of the third period. Brian Saftstrom '10 slid the puck to Geary on a great face-off win, and Geary capitalized with the winning goal.

This win meant something extra for Andover, as Nobles defeated Andover in the Flood Marr Tournament earlier this season.

"It was great to get a win to get a little revenge against the team that gave us our first loss," said Lozzi.

Andover has put together a nice hot streak in these past two weeks by posting a 4-1-1 record. Coach Boylan likes the way the team has been playing. "We are gelling nicely at this point in the season," said Coach Boylan about the team. "We need to work on the details of all three zones, as well as limiting penalties."

Andover looks to improve its 12-2-2 record and stay on top of the New England Rankings as the team takes on Loomis at home and Deerfield on the road next week.

S. SHEU/ *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Chris Kreider '10 lines up a wrist shot in Andover's win over Loomis.

Bittersweet With Deerfield Tie

By Chris Cameron
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	**6**
Loomis	**2**

Andover	**3**
Deerfield	**3**

Two goal performances from both Captain Brooks Dyroff '09 and Garnet Hathaway '10 powered Andover over Loomis in a 6-2 contest on Saturday. On Wednesday, Andover tied Deerfield.

Hoping to build on its impressive 12-2-2 record and number one ranking in the New England Prep League, Andover took on Loomis at home on Saturday. The team came out and dominated Loomis right from the start with a four goal outburst in the first period.

It only took Andover 1:19 minutes to score its first goal as Ryan Heavey '09 sent a wrist shot to the back of the net. Only a couple minutes later, Hathaway increased Andover's lead to two with a power play goal to the top corner of the net.

Dyroff then stole the show to close out the period, scoring Andover's next two goals. The first came on a nice redirection and the second came on a power play, capitalizing on a smooth pass from Mike Lozzi '09.

Andover followed up its explosive first period with a sluggish second period. Loomis scored its only goal midway through the period, and held Andover scoreless.

In the third period, Andover got its swagger back as the team built on its lead with two more goals. Shortly after the start of the final frame, Hathaway netted his second goal on a penalty kill.

Three minutes later, Josh Geary '09 sent the puck past the goalie to put Andover up by five. Loomis scored once more before the end of the game, but it was insignificant as Andover eased its way to the dominating victory.

The offensive explosion gave goalie Glenn Stowell '09 a break. After saving 13 of 14 shots, he was relieved by Eric Yoon '11, who was solid between the pipes for the remainder of the game.

With Dyroff and Hathaway scoring two goals each, along with Geary's goal, both the first and second lines were very productive. Luke Duprey '10 and Brian Safstrom '10 both added 2 assists.

Andover achieved its goal of coming out of the locker room strong to start the game. "We started off strong and really took it to them from the first drop of the puck," said Hathaway.

"We did a better job coming out hard in the first period this game," said Dyroff, "but there are still many things we need to work on."

On Wednesday, Andover made the trek down to Deerfield to face a talented home team. Chris Kreider '10 led the scoring with a pair of goals, one of which was assisted by Dyroff.

Safstrom added a goal of his own to bring Andover's total to three. Stowell was solid in net, but this was not enough, as the teams played to a 3-3 tie after overtime.

Andover will play both its games this upcoming week with the benefit of a home crowd. The team will face a tough Belmont Hill squad this Friday.

B. BRODIE/ *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Chris Kreider '10 weaves his way through Belmont Hill defenders. Kreider scored four goals in two games this week.

Andover Crushes Belmont Hill in Physical Matchup Between League Powerhouses

By Chris Cameron
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	**5**
Belmont Hill	**1**

Andover	**5**
KUA	**2**

Powered by a pair of two-goal performances by Chris Kreider '10, Andover hockey improved its record to 15-2-3 with two home victories this week.

On Friday, the team defeated Belmont Hill 5-1 and also defeated Kimball Union Academy 5-2 on Wednesday.

Friday's contest was a battle of giants, as Andover is ranked towards the top of its New England Prep School league and Belmont Hill is an ISL powerhouse this season. After missing some early opportunities, Andover scored 10 minutes into the contest.

Jim Houghton '09 scored his first goal of the season off of a great pass by Garnet Hathaway '10 to put Andover up 1-0.

The remainder of the first period was scoreless, but not without action as Andover was physical and even killed a 5 on 3 situation for Belmont Hill.

Andover took the upper hand in the second period, as the team scored three goals to go up 4-0. Less than a minute into the period, Kreider sped around the Belmont Hill defense, crossed over to the left side, and sent the puck to the top shelf to put Andover ahead 2-0.

Kreider continued to show his outstanding skills seven minutes later when he scored an amazing goal that sent the home crowd into a frenzy.

Andover's last goal of the period was scored by Captain Brooks Dyroff '09, as he sent a wrist shot into an empty left side of the net after a pass from Mike Lozzi '09.

In the third period, Belmont Hill finally got on the board with a goal two minutes into the period. It was not enough, however, as Andover cruised to a 5-1 victory after a late goal by Trevor Braun '10.

"We came out strong, and our team chemistry was really clicking against Belmont Hill," said Kreider. Glenn Stowell '09 turned in another great game in net, as he stopped 23 of 24 Belmont shots.

Andover came out slug-

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BOYS HOCKEY

Hockey Handles KUA, 5-2

Andover Improves Record to 15-2-3

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gish in the first period against KUA, and both teams were kept scoreless. KUA jumped out in front with a power play goal seven minutes into the second period.

Andover came roaring back, however, with two goals late in the period. Dyroff scored with two minutes left off a Kreider assist to knot the game at 1.

Just two minutes later, Kreider scored with 2 seconds left in the period on a power play to take the lead.

Andover had a very strong final period, as it took a secure lead with three goals. Kreider scored his fourth goal of the week eight minutes into the frame to put Andover up 3-1.

Andover then scored two goals in the span of 30 seconds with the help of Hathaway and Mike McDonagh '09 to take a commanding 5-1 lead.

KUA scored late in the third period to cut the lead to three goals, but Andover held off the opposition for the 5-2 win.

Coach Dean Boylan liked the way the team played in the game, but he knows there are still things to straighten out.

He said, "Although we came away with a win, we need to be more consistent and play a full 54 minutes of quality hockey."

Eight Different Scorers Show Team Effort In Dominating Victory Over Governor's

By Chris Cameron
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	8
Governor's	2

Andover	3
Cushing	3

Eight goals from 8 different Andover players helped the team in an offensive steamroll of Governor's Academy in an away game on Friday. Andover then traveled to Cushing on Wednesday and played to a 3-3 tie.

On Friday, Andover came out of the gates skating hard and took it to Governor's from the first drop of the puck. A total of three goals in the first period gave Andover the early advantage.

Chris Kreider '10 scored for the fourth consecutive game as he started the scoring brigade for the visiting team. Jim Houghton '09 and Mike Lozzi '09 also scored in the opening frame, as Andover went to the locker room up 3-0.

Andover did not stop the scoring party in the second period, as Governor's saw 5 more goals slide into its net. Josh Geary '09, Captain Brooks Dyroff '09, and Mike McDonough '09 all scored in the period. Garnet Hathaway '10 and Brian Safstrom '10 netted goals as well, as Andover pushed its lead to a whopping 8-0.

The third period saw Andover relinquish two goals to Governor's, and Andover came home with an 8-2 blowout win.

"Leading up to the Governors game, we talked about consistency as a necessary part of our game," said goalie Glenn Stowell '09. The team was able to deliver on its goal for the game, as Andover was in control from the first puck drop to the final whistle.

"We were able to put together three full periods of good hockey, as we played consistently in all three zones and kept out of the penalty box," said Geary of the Governor's game.

The game also displayed why Andover's depth cannot be matched by many teams in the league. Eight different players scored the goals for Andover, and the defense held the Governor's offense in check for the majority of the game. Shutout goaltending from Stowell in the first two periods also contributed to the win.

The big lead allowed Coach Boylan to play some players with less experience in the third period. The first line and Stowell took spots on the bench, as players such as Peter Nelson '11, Sam Auffant '09, and Charlie DiGiulian '10 got ice time, with Eric Yoon '11 taking Stowell's place between the pipes.

Wednesday's matchup against Cushing was not as easy, as both Andover and Cushing came out of the locker rooms playing physical hockey. Hathaway scored first for Andover, with Geary and Redmond Colson '10 helping with assists.

Kreider extended his scoring streak to five games with a marker assisted by Bennett Carroccio '10, and Dyroff closed out the scoring for Andover with his second goal of the week. These three goals were not enough to win, however, as the two teams ended overtime in a 3-3 tie.

"Although it has been a problem we have focused on, we still committed a lot of penalties against Cushing," said Dyroff. "We have to start finding a way to win these close games."

S. SHEU/ *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Jimmy Houghton '09 maintains control of the puck as a Cushing defender looks on.

HOCKEY

Boys

In a rematch of January's meeting between these two teams, Andover will face Exeter this Saturday at 4:00. Although Andover was victorious in that game by a score of 4-1, Coach Boylan knows this weekend's matchup will be a tough game.

"Exeter is a very talented team, and we will have to play as mistake-free as we can," he said. Facing scorers such as Dan Weiniger and defenseman like Thomas Larkin, Andover will have to play well in all phases of the game.

To add to the pressure, it will have playoff implications, as both teams look to secure high seeds for the upcoming New England Prep School playoffs.

Returning players and new players alike look forward to this great rivalry game. "My experiences in the game these last two years have been awesome," said returner Bennett Carroccio '10. "You'd have to be inhuman to not get chills when your skates hit the ice for the first time."

Post-Graduate Lozzi is also looking forward to the rivalry weekend game, which will be his first. "I'm really excited to play in this storied rivalry. It's great not only for us players, but also the coaches and the fans," he said.

Andover Hockey		Exeter Hockey	
Boys	[illegible]	Boys	[illegible]
Girls	[illegible]	Girls	12-6-1

Last year's 2-0 Andover win was a thriller and close until the final whistle. If that game is any indication of how close this game will be, the fans are in for a great contest

Girls

Regardless of win-loss records and post-season plans, the pinnacle moment for Girls Hockey is always Andover-Exeter.

This season Andover obtained a record of 12-7-2, a huge improvement from last year. After dropping its final two home games of the year, though, Andover will not be making a trip to the playoffs. Exeter, however, secured playoff status with a record of 13-6-1.

Earlier in the season, Exeter traveled to Andover for a mid-season match up. With goals from Avery Stone '10 and Katie Riley '10, Andover claimed a 2-1 victory. The win came on a day Andover was depleted with injuries, skating only seven forwards.

Andover hopes this time around won't be any different. With the roster back in good health, and the scent of redemption in the air after Exeter made the playoffs, Andover is in strong position.

This time the game will be played at Exeter's rink. Kellie Walsh '11 said, "It will be great to play in front of a big crowd and show off Andover Girls Hockey. Since we won't be in the playoffs, this game is the highlight of the season."

Andover will face Exeter at 2:00 on Saturday.

T. FERGUSON/ *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Jimmy Houghton '09 passes the puck past a Tabor defender in Andover's third loss of the season.

Hathaway '10 and Kreider '10 Combine for 10 Points in Last Home Game of Regular Season

By Chris Cameron
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Tabor	4
Andover	3

Andover	8
NMH	1

Getting behind the defense on a breakaway, Garnet Hathaway '10 netted one of his most impressive goals on the season, burying the puck top shelf in Andover's last home victory of the regular season this past Wednesday against NMH.

On the week, Andover went 1-1, losing to Tabor and winning against NMH.

On Friday, over 500 fans packed Harrison Rink to watch Andover face Tabor Academy. Even with the home crowd at its back, Andover went down early, as Tabor scored two goals in the first six minutes.

Andover bounced right back, however, as Hathaway and Josh Geary '09 scored near the end of the period to knot the game at two.

Because of these two goals, Andover had all the momentum going into the second period. However, Tabor scored the only goal of the period to take a 3-2 lead.

Despite a strong final push by Andover, Tabor padded its lead with a power play goal 10 minutes into the third period. Chris Kreider '10 scored with less than five minutes remaining to cut the lead in half, but Tabor was able to hold off the home team and hand Andover the loss.

Andover struggled in this game because of a lack of consistency. Although the team finished the game strong, it was sluggish for much of the first period.

Andover quickly turned this around, as it played perhaps its most electrifying game of the year against NMH. Hathaway and Kreider combined for 10 points in one of the team's most offensively persistent games.

The puck was in Andover's offensive zone for much of the first period, and the team got many quality shots on net to open the game. Andover finally took advantage of these opportunities when Kreider scored a breakaway goal. Brian Safstrom '10 scored only two minutes later on a power play. Hathaway and Kreider chipped in with the assists. This goal gave Andover a comfortable 2-0 lead going into the locker room.

The home team didn't let up in the following period, as it pressured the opposing goalie with more shots on net. Captain Brooks Dyroff '09 scored another power play goal at the 11:45 mark to bring Andover's lead to three.

NMH got on the board with a goal 1 minute later to get back into the game.

Hathaway scored Andover's fourth goal on a breakaway after Safstrom threaded the needle with a gorgeous pass. Kreider then added a short-handed goal.

In the third, Andover continued to pile on the goals, as Hathaway and Kreider each added one to their totals. Mike Lozzi '09 scored on a deflection from a Dyroff shot. These goals gave Andover a commanding 8-1 lead that it held until the end of the game.

In an attempt to "mix it up," Coach Boylan swapped Geary and Kreider. This decision paid dividends immediately, as the second line scored six goals, with Kreider scoring a hat trick and adding three assists. Hathaway scored four points on the night to combine with Kreider for 10 points in the NMH blowout.

Sport: Girls Hockey

Year: 2009

Captain: Lindsey Newman

Coach: Martha Fenton

Assistant Coaches: Chad Green, Caroline Odden

Season Record

Won 12 Lost 5 Tied 2

Letterwinners

Catherine McLaughlin
Kaitlin Fanikos
Kaitlyn McInnis
Lauren Glynn
Avery Stone
Kellie Walsh
Katherine Sherrill
Katherine Riley
Liza Duble

Ann Doherty
Mariana Walsh
Kyleigh Keating
Jordan Hampton
Marilyn Harris
Lindsay Newman*
Alissa Fromkin
Kaitlin Gaiss
Patrick Maher, mngr

PHILLIPS ACADEMY - ANDOVER
GIRLS' VARSITY HOCKEY
2008-2009

No.	Name	Year	Pos	Hometown
1	Catherine McLaughlin	2010	G	Andover, MA
4	Kaitlin Fanikos	2011	F	Andover, MA
5	Kaitlyn McInnis	2009	D	Franklin, MA
6	Lauren Glynn	2010	F	Dover, MA
7	Avery Stone	2010	F/D	Providence, RI
8	Kellie Walsh	2011	F/D	Andover, MA
9	Katherine Sherrill	2010	D	New York, NY
13	Katherine Riley	2010	F	Hingham, MA
15	Liza Duble	2009	F	Boxford, MA
16	Ann Doherty	2011	D	Park Ridge, IL
18	Mariana Walsh	2011	F	Walpole, MA
21	Kyleigh Keating	2010	F	Windham, NH
22	Jordan Hampton	2012	D	Exeter, NH
23	Marilyn Harris	2011	F	Steamboat Springs, CO
24	Lindsay Newman*	2009	D	Winnetka, IL
30	Alissa Fromkin	2009	G	Manhasset, NY
66	Kaitlin Gaiss	2009	G	No. Andover, MA

COACHES: MARTHA FENTON, CHAD GREEN, CAROLINE ODDEN

*Captain: Lindsay Newman '09
Athletic Trainers: Mike Kuta, John Bravo
Managers: Patrick Maher '09, Kyle Franco '10

Schedule and Record

Record: 12/5/2

DATE/TIME	OPPONENT	H/A	TYPE	SCORE
12/3 @ 3:30 PM	Buckingham Browne & Nichols	A	Game	W 4-1
12/6 @ 3:15 PM	The Rivers School	H	Game	T 0-0 (OT)
12/14 @ 2:00 PM	Winchendon School	A	Game	W 6-1
12/15 @ 6:30 PM	NEWHL Pre Prep	H	Scrimmage	W 3-0
12/18 @ 8:30 AM	Loomis Chaffee School	A	Game	L 1-4
12/18 @ 4:15 PM	Lawrenceville	A	Game	W 7-1
12/19 @ 8:00 AM	Taft	A	Game	W 2-0
1/10 @ 2:00 PM	Choate Rosemary Hall	A	Game	L 0-3
1/12 @ 4:30 PM	Brooks School	H	Game	W 2-0
1/17 @ 3:00 PM	St. Paul's School	H	Game	W 1-0
1/21 @ 3:30 PM	Lawrence Academy	A	Game	
1/31 @ 2:15 PM	Deerfield Academy	A	Game	W 2-0
2/4 @ 3:15 PM	Phillips Exeter Academy	H	Game	W 2-1
2/7 @ 2:30 PM	Tilton School	H	Game	W 5-1
2/11 @ 3:30 PM	Tabor Academy	A	Game	L 2-3 OT
2/13 @ 5:00 PM	Governor's Academy	A	Game	L 3-5
2/17 @ 3:30 PM	New Hampton School	H	Game	W 7-1
2/18 @ 4:30 PM	Noble & Greenough	H	Game	T 0-0 (OT)
2/20 @ 5:30 PM	Milton Academy	A	Game	W 4-0
2/23 @ 5:00 PM	Brewster Academy	H	Game	L 0-3
2/25 @ 4:00 PM	Westminster School	H	Game	
2/28 @ 2:00 PM	Phillips Exeter Academy	A	Game	

Highlights

BBN
12/3/2008

The Andover girls' hockey team got off to a solid start to the 2008-2009 season with a 4-1 victory over BBN in Cambridge today. Without a scrimmage to shake off the dust the girls in Blue had to get on track quickly in this season opener. Lauren Glynn led off the scoring with a goal in the first period assisted by line mate Avery Stone. The game was back and forth throughout the second with Andover spending a good bit of time on the short end of a 5 on 4 situation. The second period was scoreless, but the Andover girls came out firing on all cylinders in the third. Mariana Walsh '10 recorded a hat trick with assists going to Kaitlyn McInnis (09) Glynn (10) and Katie Riley (10.) Alissa Fromkin's (09) strong showing was 10 seconds shy of a shutout, with BBN breaking in for the last goal of the day, but she kept Andover in the running with 23 saves. Rivers will travel to Andover for the Big Blue's home opener on Saturday, Dec. 6th at 3:15.

Rivers
12/6/2008

Our game against Rivers today was a battle from beginning to end. Because of the impressive play of goaltender Alissa Fromkin and the defensive corps (Lindsay Newman, Jordan Hampton, Ann Doherty, and Katherine Sherrill) the girls in blue were able to keep a talented Rivers team from getting on the board despite spending too much time in our defensive end for the majority of the first and second periods. The Andover team came alive offensively in the third period, but it was too little too late as the game ended in a 0-0 tie. Fromkin had 46 saves on the day in one of her most impressive performances of her four year career at Andover.

Taft
12/19/2008

The Andover girls' hockey team played to a strong 2-0 victory over Taft in the third game of the Taft tournament. With a bright and early 7:30 am start both teams looked surprisingly awake in the first period but neither team was able to find the back of the net for the first two periods. The girls in Blue opened the third period with 28 seconds remaining on a penalty kill, but immediately capitalized on the even numbers when Lauren Glynn broke open the game with a beautiful breakaway goal on which she tucked in her own rebound. The second Andover goal was a power play goal scored by Kaitlyn Mcinnis when she tipped in an Avery Stone shot from the top of the circle. Lindsay Newman picked up an assist on the goal as well. Alissa Fromkin fended off the Taft attack for three periods, making 27 saves on the day. With two wins and one loss for the tournament Andover finished in the top four of a very competitive field. We were pleased to be

back at Taft for the tournament and our thanks go out to all the parents and players who took time out of their vacation to make this possible. We will be on break until January and will open with a home game against Brewster on January 7th at 4:30.

Deerfield

1/31/2009

The girls made the trip to face a solid Deerfield squad (6-6-2) that has contested in each and every game this year. Coming off of nearly ten days of practice (due to scheduling and a cancellation on Wednesday against Cushing), the Big Blue struggled to play a disciplined game in the defensive zone throughout the first period. Despite significant pressure from Deerfield (16 shots in the period), Andover bent but didn't break and managed to keep the game scoreless after the first 15 minutes. In the second, PA goaltender Alissa Fromkin continued her strong play, making several nice saves and the girls in front of her did a good job of preventing 2nd chance scoring opportunities. PA also generated a few scoring opportunities at the other end. With 2:20 seconds left in the period, lower Ann Doherty blasted a beautiful shot from the right point for the first tally of the game (assisted by upper Katie Riley). In the third Deerfield continued to put significant pressure on Fromkin, but could not find the back of the net. Andover sealed the win with only a minute to go when Katie Riley received a nice pass from senior Caitlin McInnis and snuck a goal through the five hole of the Deerfield Keeper. Upper Avery Stone also assisted on the play. Overall, Alissa Fromkin made 41 saves on the day to earn her 4th shut out of the year.

Exeter

2/4/2009

Andover secured an impressive victory over arch-rival Phillips Exeter with a final tally of 2-1. Playing at Harrison Rink, the injury-depleted Andover squad played with great tenacity and heart. Andover got on the board with 6:00 left to play in the first. With Andover on the power play, Anne Doherty slid the puck across the blue line to Katherine Sherrill who made a brilliant pass to Avery Stone on the far post. Stone buried the puck to put PA up by a goal. Exeter kept the pressure on, however, and they tied the game with 11:28 left to play in the third. Andover dug in and with just 3:12 left to play in the game, they converted on the power play again to go up 2-1. Katie Riley scored the goal on a rebound from Jordan Hampton. Lindsay Newman also assisted the goal. Alissa Fromkin had another strong outing between the pipes. This was a team effort from the opening drop of the puck to the closing seconds, and the Big Blue earned a solid D1 victory. Andover faces Tilton at home on Saturday.

Tilton
2/7/2009

The Big Blue took on a scrappy Tilton squad on Saturday at Harrison Arena. Coming off of a big win against arch-rival Exeter, the squad struggled to play disciplined hockey throughout the game, most notably earning nine penalties on the day (Tilton skaters tallied 6 trips to the box.) Though outshot 15-9 in the first period, Tilton kept the score close, mostly due to solid goaltending from the Tilton backstopper, and the first stanza ended with the score tied at 1-1. Kaitlyn McInnis scored the lone goal for Andover in the first with a beautiful snap shot from in tight.

In the second, Andover did a better job of converting on numerous scoring opportunities, moving the puck well in the offensive zone and creating traffic in front of the net. Kyleigh Keating tallied two goals and Ann Doherty added the first of her two goals on the day as Andover scored three times in the course of a four minute stretch to blow the game open. Doherty scored her second point of the night on a beautiful high backhander after receiving a pass from Keating and beating several Tilton skaters on a rush from the right point. Alissa Fromkin had 16 saves on the day.

Andover is now 9-3-1 on the season and heading into a series of very important games. First up is Tabor Academy on their home sheet of ice on Wednesday, February 11th.

Tabor
2/11/2009

The girls went toe-to-toe with a very strong squad from Tabor on Wednesday. After a rough start, Andover finally got their legs moving and created a few good scoring chances late the first period, which ended in scoreless stalemate. In the second Tabor controlled the momentum for much of the period, but the Big Blue struck first when captain Lindsay Newman sent a long pass up the center of the ice to a streaking Katie Riley who split the defense and scored on a nifty breakaway goal.

Only two minutes later, PA keeper Alissa Fromkin made a nice save to the right of her crease and covered the puck. With no whistle from the nearby referee, she lifted her glove hand to see if she had the puck and a pesky Tabor skater poked the puck into the net. The second period ended in with the score 1-1. In the third Andover again took the lead, when Katie Riley collected a pass from Katherine Sherrill as she entered the offensive zone...given lots of room by the Tabor defense, Riley ripped a wrist shot from the high slot and hit nothing but net. Tabor had plenty of opportunities to tie up the score, especially during two power play attempts, but Fromkin and the Big Blue D denied a series of rushes while limited high percentage shots. Unfortunately, for Andover, the squad couldn't generate enough of a counter attack, and with Caitlin McInnis in the box for tripping, Tabor finally capitalized with seven minutes remaining in the game, tying the game 2-2.

The overtime stanza was a back and forth affair, until Tabor took control on the power play with 2:45 remaining. Forty-five seconds later, working off of a set face-off play that Andover had managed to stop several times earlier in the game, Tabor managed to beat Fromkin high on the glove side for the win. In sum, a tough lose to a good Tabor team that we hope to see again.

Andover Kicks Off Season with Strong Defensive Effort in Win

By Kyle Franco
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	**4**
BB&N	**1**

The Andover Girls Varsity Hockey team opened up their season on Wednesday with an impressive win at BB&N. Looking to rebound from last year's difficult season, Andover was poised to start the season with a win, doing so with a 4-1 victory.

In the first period, Andover came out looking strong. Lauren Glynn '10 scored on a breakaway, with Avery Stone '10 making the pass to earn an assist.

Although the offense was quiet in the second period, Mari Walsh '11 reignited it in the third period by scoring three goals, putting the game away for Andover. She had help from Kaitlyn McInnis '09, Katie Riley '10 and Glynn, who all had assists off her goals.

In addition to the spectacular offensive play, Andover's defense also had a superior performance. Captain Lindsey Newman '09, Kitten Sherril '10, Ann Doherty '11 and Jordan Hampton '12 all played solid defense, holding BB&N to 24 shots on the day.

Behind her defense, goalie Alissa Fromkin '09 was three seconds away from shutting out BB&N, until one of their shots managed to find its way to the back of the net. Despite the goal, Fromkin played an excellent game, making 23 saves.

The team's first game of the season started Andover off on the right foot.

Last year, despite a stifling defense, Andover lacked a major component of the sport: a true scoring threat. This year is a new year, however, with a bevy of new players and a stong group of returners.

These newcomers will hopefully add to the scoring punch for Andover.

One of the strengths of the team last year was its defense. Led by Newman, this defense has only gotten better. Joined by newcomer Hampton, the lone freshmen on the team, and Doherty, Newman and the defense will continue to be a force to be reckoned with.

Sherrill, another defensive presence for the Big Blue, is excited for the new additions to the team. "I'm really excited for the season," she said. "Jordan and Ann are great additions to the defense."

If Andover can continue its shut-down defense while continuing to progress on the offensive end of the ice, then Andover will undoubtedly be a force to be reckoned with in New England Prep hockey.

Another important aspect of the defense is goalie Fromkin.

After signing her letter of intent to Boston University to play hockey at the next level, Fromkin hopes to cap off her Andover career with another impressive season.

Fromkin is coming off of the 2-0 shutout of Exeter that ended last season, and she will try to carry that caliber of play into this season.

Fromkin has been a steady presence for Andover over all four of her years with the team. She is one of the most reliable players that the program has, and she will surely be counted on to keep Andover in many games. Fromkin's athleticism in the net is coupled with fantastic technique.

Like the defense, the offense also combines returning players and new ones.

Returner McInnis will be joined by Riley and Glynn. In addition, returners Liza Duble '09, Stone and Kellie Walsh '11 will play intricate roles at forward and will be instrumental in helping Andover win games.

A lot of pressure will be placed on the offense this season to match the great play of the defense. In order for Andover to thrive this season, the offense will have to play well and score more than they did last year.

With the preseason and first game finished, the team can finally turn its attention to the heart of the season ahead and strive for the playoffs.

Stone '10 Scores Hat Trick; Defense Anchors Two Shutouts

By Kyle Franco
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

The Andover Girls Hockey team went into the winter break 2-0-1, with victories coming over BB&N and the Winchendon School and a tie with the Rivers School. The team started off the season strong thanks to a high-powered offense heavily influenced by newcomers, while still maintaining a lock-down defense.

The squad's first game of break came against New England Womens Hockey League Pre-Prep players, in which Andover prevailed 3-0. Goalies Alissa Fromkin '09, Kaitlin Gaiss '09 and Catherine McLaughlin '10 played fantastically in shutout efforts.

Following this victory, Andover participated in an annual tournament at Taft.

In the first game of the tournament, Andover faced off against a very strong Loomis Chaffee team. Loomis prevailed 4-1, with the lone Andover goal scored by Lauren Glynn '10 on a breakaway. Andover was slightly outmatched by the physical Loomis players.

Looking to rebound from the tough loss, Andover came out strong from the face-off against Lawrenceville. Both the offense and defense did their respective jobs very well, scoring seven goals and holding Lawrenceville to one.

Forward Avery Stone '10 was the driving force behind the offense, scoring three goals. In a more humble role, Glynn assisted four of the Big Blue's seven goals. In addition to her fantastic defensive play, defenseman Jordan Hampton '12 scored her first goal of the year, capping off Andover's glorious win.

"The team came out strong and rebounded well from the loss to Loomis and scored some early goals," said Kellie Walsh '11.

Andover finished off the tournament with a victory over the host school, Taft. The Andover defense played an inspiring game, helping goalie Fromkin complete the shutout victory, 2-0. Glynn and Stone finished off their incredible tournament-long scoring runs with a goal each in the final game.

Overall, the crew was happy with their performance at Taft. Gaiss said, "It was my first time going to the tournament, and I loved it. It was awesome to watch the girls play, and most importantly, we formed great bonds. The team is much more of a cohesive unit after this."

Captain Lindsey Newman '09 weighed in on the tournament and the play of the defense. "The defense has been working well together, especially since we have only four defensemen. Overall, we have come together well as a team over the last couple of games."

Andover was set to take on Brewster on Wednesday, but the game was called off because of poor travel weather. Their next game will be Saturday, against a well-coached team from Choate.

M. DISCENZA/ *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Avery Stone '10 reaches to poke the puck away from a Choate player in Saturday's 3-0 loss.

GIRLS HOCKEY

Andover Girls Hockey Struggles to Find Consistency in Offense

By Kyle Franco
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	2
Brooks	0

Choate	3
Andover	0

Despite heavy snow and a cancellation of last Wednesday's Brewster game, Andover stayed fresh and was ready to engage a tough Choate team last Saturday.

In their first game of the New Year, Andover hoped to carry on their winning trends from the Taft Tournament into 2009.

Unfortunately for Andover, the well-prepared Choate team came out strong. Scoring very early in the first period, Andover couldn't counter.

In addition to the struggles of the defense, Andover offense had troubles of their own.

Goalie Alissa Fromkin '09 said, "We had a lot of trouble gaining offensive momentum, and the onslaught of penalties crushed the flow."

She continued, "We were outshot 20-7 in the second period alone."

Throughout the game, finishing the few scoring opportunities they had was the Andover's main issue. Over the course of the game, Choate outshot Andover 40-17, a clear sign of Choate's domination on the offensive side.

Choate added two more goals, and finished the game with three total, defeating the offensively challenged Big Blue 3-0.

In spite of the flashback of last season's offensive struggles in the Choate game, Andover looked to come out strong against Brooks.

Katie Riley '10 jumpstarted the Andover offense early in the first period with a goal assisted by Captain Lindsay Newman '09 and Jordan Hampton '12.

Despite the early goal, Andover still struggled offensively.

In this game though, problems came with finishing as opposed to creating shots.

Fromkin said, "Defensively, we struggled when handling their offensive pressure."

Even though Andover held on to win 2-0, thanks to another goal from Riley, the team was still not satisfied.

Walsh said of the team's offense, "We had a lot of quality scoring opportunities but could not finish."

The Andover did make great improvements though from the Choate game, taking 38 shots to Brooks' 21.

The Andover defense played exceptionally, and was key to the victory.

Newman led her defensive unit of Ann Doherty '11, Katherine Sherrill '10 and Hampton to their fourth shutout of the season.

This impressive effort could not have been accomplished without Fromkin though, who put on another goal tending clinic.

Overall, Andover played a strong game against Brooks, and came away with the win despite blowing a few scoring opportunities.

Sherrill commented on the game, saying, "In the past, the Brooks game has come down to who wants it more. Even though we may have the more skilled team, we won because we kept our heads up and stayed focused."

Even though they won, the Andover Girls Hockey team still wants more; to finish more, more heads-up play and more focused play. The practices in the upcoming week will focus on finishing their opportunities and getting back to their winning ways.

Looking ahead, Andover wants to build on its success of this Wednesday and go 2-0 next week against very talented opponents St. Pauls and Lawrence Academy.

Fromkin '09 Records Fifth Shutout in 1-0 Victory; Andover Loses Offensive Spark in 6-1 Loss to LA

By Kyle Franco
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	1
St. Paul's	0
Lawrence Academy	6
Andover	1

Early in the second period, Katie Riley '10 threaded a pass through several defenders to the stick of Lauren Glynn '10. Glynn proceeded to coolly slide the puck past the St. Paul's goalie for the only goal of the game in the 1-0 victory.

Glynn's second period goal continues the season long theme of the impact of newcomers on offense. Glynn, Riley, Mari Walsh '11, and Kyleigh Keating '10 have all emerged as offensive catalysts on a previously dead offense.

Although only one goal was scored, the bevy of solid forwards proved to be indispensable. Because defenseman Kitten Sherrill '10 was out with a concussion, offensive star Avery Stone '10 proved her versatility by moving into the defensive rotation.

In spite of the short handedness, the defense still played well as usual. The only blemish on the defensive record was a breakaway with time dwindling in the second period. Luckily for Andover, the St. Paul's attack was thwarted by the immaculate play in goal by goalie Alissa Fromkin '09.

For their next game, Andover played a talented 7-1-2 Lawrence Academy squad.

The first period went well for Andover, who hung in against arguably their toughest opponent of the year. Kaitlyn McInnis '09 scored the Andover's first and only goal of the outing. Consistent offensive contributor Riley assisted McInnis's goal.

After the first period, things turned south quickly for Andover.

In the second and third periods, Andover was never able to get anything started. Searching high and low for an offensive spark, Andover never found the catalyst they needed.

While Andover was not able to find their offensive flow, Lawrence Academy scored six goals in two periods. Devastated, the girls team was unable to counter LA's firepower with any offense of their own.

Sherrill's injury once again turned out to be harmful for Andover. With Sherrill still on the injured list, Stone was again forced to go back into the defensive rotation. Stone's offensive production was sorely missed.

After the final whistle blew, Andover made the long way back to the locker room to return home from the 6-1 loss.

Liza Duble '09 said about the game, "Although we came out strong against a very powerful team, it was tough to rebound after a tough second period. Even though we kept our heads up till the end, we couldn't capitalize on or create many opportunities."

Andover will look to rebound against Cushing Academy next Wednesday at home.

S. SHEU *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Katie Riley '10 scrambles past her opponents to get the puck during an offensive rush.

GIRLS HOCKEY

Fromkin '09 Earns Shutout

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The win against Exeter comes three days after a very close game at Deerfield.

After the long bus ride, Andover got off to a fairly slows start against Deerfield. With both offense and defense struggling to make plays, the pressure fell on goalie Alissa Fromkin '09 to keep Andover in the game.

Andover's seemingly dead offense, which was out shot 31-10 over the first two periods, finally showed signs of life at the end of the second period.

With three minutes left, defensemen Doherty netted her first goal of the year with a shot from the right circle on an assist from Riley.

One of Andover's three shots in the third period, by Riley, found the back of the net with the assist from Kaitlin McInnis '09 and Stone.

With an efficient offense and outstanding play in the net by Fromkin, Andover survived the Deerfield onslaught and secured the 2-1 victory on only 13 total shots to Deerfield's 41.

B. BRODIE/ *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Katherine Sherrill '10 skates through open ice in the home victory against Exeter.

GIRLS HOCKEY

Riley '10 Nets Game-Winning Goal Against Archrival Exeter

By Kyle Franco
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	2
Exeter	1

Andover	2
Deerfield	0

Girls Varsity Hockey Coach Martha Fenton summed up Andover's thrilling victory over rival Exeter in one word— "gutsy."

Katie Riley '10 scored Andover's second goal with just over three minutes remaining in the game to give Andover the 2-1 win. Avery Stone '10 contributed Andover's only other goal as the team improved to 9-2-1.

Going into the Exeter game, Andover's offense was depleted without forwards Mari Walsh '11 and Lauren Glynn '10, leaving the offense with only seven forwards. To offset the injuries, defensemen Katherine Sherrill '10 returned to the lineup, allowing Avery Stone '10 to jump back into the offensive rotation. Stone's presence was immediately felt.

In the first period, defensemen Ann Doherty '11 swung a pass to Sherrill, who then threaded the puck to a waiting Stone. Stone buried the puck in the back of the net, giving Andover the 1-0 lead to end the first quarter. Andover out-shot Exeter 6-4 in the period.

In the second period, both teams remained scoreless. The undermanned offensive unit kept their heads up and played hard despite the small number of forwards, shifting between only two lines. "That was one of the hardest periods of hockey I have ever played," said forward Kellie Walsh '11.

Trouble struck for Andover in the third period when Exeter scored four minutes into the period. With overtime likely, Riley came to the rescue and buried the game-winning goal with three minutes and twelve seconds remaining.

Games against Exeter always hold deeper meaning due to the nature of the rivalry, and this game was no exception.

"It was a great effort by the team. They hustled from start to finish, which made up for only having seven forwards," said Fenton.

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Keating '10 Propels Offense in Tilton Victory; Andover Suffers Overtime Loss to Tabor

By Kyle Franco
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	5
Tilton	1

Tabor	3
Andover	2

Ann Doherty '11 and Kyleigh Keating '10 took over the offense in Andover's game against Tilton on Saturday, netting two goals apiece in the 5-1 Andover victory.

Tilton came out of the gates strong, scoring with 9:02 left in the first period, but stood no chance once Andover picked up momentum.

The Andover offense quickly awoke late in the first period, thanks to veteran forward Kaitlin McInnis '09. Avery Stone '10 found an open McInnis in front of the net, who proceeded to bury the goal with a wrist shot.

The offense kept their heads up and played hard, once again skating only seven forwards in the game. Despite this, they rattled off 15 shots to Tilton's nine.

"We started out slow, but by the second period we really stepped it up and persevered and earned every goal we scored," said Sherrill.

The Andover flood-gates opened with 7:55 left in the second, when Keating scored her first goal of the day off a power play, assisted by Jordan Hampton '12. 40 seconds later, Doherty scored her second goal of the year with a slap shot from the blue line, assisted by fellow defenseman Katherine Sherrill '10.

The shooting attack continued when Andover scored its third goal in a span of one minute, thanks to Keating's second goal. Keating tucked the goal from just in front of the net, with assists coming from Liza Duble '09 and Hampton.

Things didn't get much better for Tilton in the third period, when Doherty scored her second goal of the game. After gingerly dancing through four Tilton players, Doherty flipped the puck past the opposing goalie. Keating gathered the assist, capping off her productive game.

"I thought we played really well as a team," said Doherty. "We raged all over the ice."

Andover followed their impressive win against Tilton with a hard fought loss to Tabor.

Andover started to gather momentum in the second period due to the impressive play of Katie Riley '10, who was playing despite having the flu earlier this week. With four minutes left, Riley nabbed a breakaway goal made possible by a beautiful pass from Captain Lindsey Newman '09. Riley's goal helped to wake up the relatively dormant offense that had compiled only seven shots in the period.

Two minutes later, Tabor responded. Off a rebound, Tabor tied things up with their first goal of the day. The Tabor offense kept goalie Alissa Fromkin '09 on her heels the whole period, taking 17 shots.

Riley put Andover ahead again five minutes into the third. Riley scored her second goal of the day with a snipe from outside the front of the goal. Sherrill gathered the assist.

Tabor again refused to fall behind, however, and tied the game up with another goal off a rebound. As time winded down in the third, the game moved into overtime with the game tied, 2-2.

Shortly into overtime, a Tabor forward beat the Andover defense to the right side. The result was a game-winning goal that went top shelf of the net for Tabor.

"It was a well fought game back and forth, but unfortunately the luck didn't go in our favor," said Newman. "We have to move forward and not dwell on the loss."

T. FERGUSON/ *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Avery Stone '10 shoots the puck towards the Tilton goalie in Andover's 5-1 victory.

Girls Hockey Holds 20-2 Nobles Squad to Tie At Home

By Kyle Franco
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	7
New Hampton	1

Andover	0
Nobles	0

Senior forward Kaitlin McInnis shattered New Hampton's hope of victory this past Tuesday, scoring two goals and assisting two more in Andover's 7-1 win. Led by McInnis, the Andover offense came out strong and never looked back against New Hampton.

The onslaught started four minutes into the first period, when Avery Stone '10 buried a goal in front of the net off passes from Katherine Sherrill '10 and McInnis.

Just a minute later, McInnis netted her first goal of the day. Starting with the puck in the Andover zone, she evaded all of her New Hampton defenders and finished her scoring drive with Andover's second goal. The New Hampton defense struggled to stop the forceful Andover offense.

The scoring frenzy continued as the first period came to a close. Recovering from two concussions, Lauren Glynn '10 made her return to the ice memorable by scoring Andover's third goal in the first period.

The Andover offense had found their groove and settled into a steady offensive flow. "Our good passing and communication helped spark the good offense. We also played with a lot of confidence," said McInnis.

New Hampton came into the second period prepared to fight back. Just three minutes into the period they scored their first and only goal of the day.

Mari Walsh '11 also returned to the lineup on Tuesday after recovering from injuries. She quickly responded to New Hampton's lone goal with a goal of her own, assisted by Jordan Hampton '12. Walsh scored with six minutes left in the second period, putting An-

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A.LEVINE/ *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Kaitlin McInnis '09 skates past her defender to receive a pass from Katherine Sherrill '10.

Solid Defensive Effort Anchors Wins

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dover up 4-1 and obliterating any hopes of a New Hampton come back.

After suffering a difficult loss to Governor's Academy last week, the offense came into the New Hampton game ready to rebound.

Andover was not satisfied with only four goals.

In the third period, Ann Doherty '11, McInnis, and Kyleigh Keating '10 all scored, totaling seven goals on the day for Andover.

In addition to the spectacular offensive play, the defensive lineup gave an impressive performance.

Over three periods the Andover defense allowed just nine shots and only one goal.

After the victory against New Hampton, Andover was prepared for a challenging game against Nobles.

Nobles came into the game on Wednesday with an impressive 20-1 record.

Going into the game, Andover knew it needed to be both mentally and physically prepared to take on the formidable Nobles team.

For Andover, most of the game was spent defending their zone.

Nobles came out strong and managed to fire 11 shots in the first period.

Nobles didn't let up and took 15 more shots over the course of the second period. Goalie Alissa Fromkin '09 played a notable game in net, thwarting every attempt made by the Nobles offense.

The pace of the game slowed in the third period as Andover had to focus on stopping the Nobles offense.

Andover kept fighting, though, and drove the game to overtime.

In overtime Andover maintained its strength and endurance, preventing Nobles from finding the net.

Fromkin's play was especially pivotal in Andover's success.

Her 39 saves proved to be the deciding factor, making the game against Nobles one of her greatest performances.

Although it will go down as a tie in the record books, the game against Nobles will be remembered as monumental for Andover.

"It showed us we can play with the best teams. We are a lot stronger because of this game," said Sherrill.

For Andover, the tie was just as good as a victory.

"Our hearts were in the game. We made the successful adjustment to play with the fast paced Nobles players, and we never gave up," said Kaitlin Gaiss '09.

HOCKEY

Boys

In a rematch of January's meeting between these two teams, Andover will face Exeter this Saturday at 4:00. Although Andover was victorious in that game by a score of 4-1, Coach Boylan knows this weekend's matchup will be a tough game.

"Exeter is a very talented team, and we will have to play as mistake-free as we can," he said. Facing scorers such as Dan Weiniger and defenseman like Thomas Larkin, Andover will have to play well in all phases of the game.

To add to the pressure, it will have playoff implications, as both teams look to secure high seeds for the upcoming New England Prep School playoffs.

Returning players and new players alike look forward to this great rivalry game. "My experiences in the game these last two years have been awesome," said returner Bennett Carroccio '10. "You'd have to be inhuman to not get chills when your skates hit the ice for the first time."

Post-Graduate Lozzi is also looking forward to the rivalry weekend game, which will be his first. "I'm really excited to play in this storied rivalry. It's great not only for us players, but also the coaches and the fans," he said.

Andover Hockey	
Boys	[illegible]
Girls	[illegible]

Exeter Hockey	
Boys	22 - 4 - 1
Girls	13 - 6 - 1

Last year's 2-0 Andover win was a thriller and close until the final whistle. If that game is any indication of how close this game will be, the fans are in for a great contest

Girls

Regardless of win-loss records and post-season plans, the pinnacle moment for Girls Hockey is always Andover-Exeter.

This season Andover obtained a record of 12-7-2, a huge improvement from last year. After dropping its final two home games of the year, though, Andover will not be making a trip to the playoffs. Exeter, however, secured playoff status with a record of 13-6-1.

Earlier in the season, Exeter traveled to Andover for a mid-season match up. With goals from Avery Stone '10 and Katie Riley '10, Andover claimed a 2-1 victory. The win came on a day Andover was depleted with injuries, skating only seven forwards.

Andover hopes this time around won't be any different. With the roster back in good health, and the scent of redemption in the air after Exeter made the playoffs, Andover is in strong position.

This time the game will be played at Exeter's rink. Kellie Walsh '11 said, "It will be great to play in front of a big crowd and show off Andover Girls Hockey. Since we won't be in the playoffs, this game is the highlight of the season."

Andover will face Exeter at 2:00 on Saturday.

Playoff Hopes Look Grim for Girls Hockey With Loss to Westminster

By Kyle Franco
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Westminster	**2**
Andover	**1**

Andover	**4**
Brewster	**0**

To most, it seemed as if Andover would not be able to handle Westminster, the league powerhouse from Connecticut, this Wednesday.

Westminster came into the game with an impressive 15-3-1 record and as the only team to halt the supposedly unstoppable Nobles.

Andover thought differently, however. Despite the 2-1 loss, Lauren Glynn '10 netted Andover's only goal of the day in the second period in the teams' most intense and hard fought battle of the year.

For most of the first period, Andover and Westminster played evenly, and it was still a toss up as to who would come out on top.

With time dwindling in the period, Westminster scored the game's first goal off a rebound, putting them on top 1-0.

Andover went into the locker room after the first, determined to put up a fight and set fire to their offense.

They had to get momentum back in their direction to stop Westminster from pulling away.

Andover did just that. With three minutes left in the second, one of Andover's 13 shots found the back of the net to bring the game to a 1-1 tie.

Glynn stood just left to the net and scored the lone goal, thanks to passes from Kaitlyn McInnis '09 and Ann Doherty '11.

After fighting a scoreless battle for the remainder of the second period, Andover entered the third period with high hopes.

Five minutes and seven seconds into the third, however, Westminster delivered a devastating blow to Andover with a goal off of a deflection.

Andover refused to give up, however, until the final whistle.

In last second of the game, the offense generated what was thought to be a goal, only to have it called back upon review by the referees.

As coaches, players, and even managers jeered at officials, all that could be done was to shake hands with their opponents and leave it all on the ice.

"It was a battle. Every period we fought hard and left it all out there. It always hard to lose a game like this, but we fought until the end," said Katie Riley '10.

Even more tragic for Andover was that a win in this game would have almost guaranteed a playoff birth, which now looks grim.

This loss comes after a Friday offensive blowout at Milton, in which Andover put up four goals.

A minute and a half into the first, Riley scored, assisted by Kyleigh Keating '10 and captain Lindsey Newman '09.

McInnis added her own goal with 3:17 left, assisted by Keating and Doherty.

A scrappy bundle of energy, Kellie Walsh '11 scored her first goal of the year shortly into the second period off a pass from Glynn.

Minutes later, Mari Walsh '11 scored off another assist from Glynn.

On the day, Glynn and Keating both had two points.

The defense also played with vindication, allowing only 17 shots on the day, all of which Goalie Alissa Fromkin '09 halted.

The shutout was Fromkin's eighth of the year in the 4-0 victory.

On Saturday, Andover will face Exeter at its home rink.

T. FERGUSON *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Mari Walsh '11 carries the puck between two Westminster defenders.

Sport: Nordic Skiing

Year: 2009

Captain: Berol Dewdney

Coach: Keith Robinson

Assistant Coach: Mika Latva-Kokko

Season Record

Won 0 Lost 0 Tied 0

Letterwinners

Block, Maxwell
Brooks, Callen
Chafee, Louisa
Danziger, Julian
Dewdney, Berol
Fleming, Scott
Garry, Bert
Ho, John
Liponis, Brenna
Pecora, Camilla
Salton, Alex
Tanski, Emilie
Townson, Andrew
Watanabe, Yuto
Wei, Emily

PHILLIPS ACADEMY- ANDOVER
NORDIC SKI
2008-2009

Name	Yr	Hometown
Block, Maxwell	2012	Norwich, VT
Brooks, Callen	2011	Williamstown, MA
Carmona, Johnny	2009	Newark, NJ
Chafee, Louisa	2009	Providence, RI
Chen, Vivian	2010	Cincinnati, OH
Danziger, Julian	2011	New York, NY
Dewdney, Berol	2009	Putney, VT
Fedyk, Valeria	2010	Phoenix, AZ
Fleming, Scott	2010	Salt Lake City, UT
Garry, Bert	2010	North Hampton, NH
Ho, John	2011	Vancouver, CAN
Howell, Olivia	2011	Boxford, MA
Liponis, Brenna	2010	Lenox, MA
Luan, Jiageng	2009	Worcester, MA
Meyer, Wesley	2011	New Orleans, LA
Pecora, Camilla	2010	San Jose, CA
Powell, Alessandra	2011	New York, NY
Roberts, Jacob	2011	Andover, MA
Salton, Alex	2011	Ithaca, NY
Tanski, Emilie	2011	Lexington, MA
Townson, Andrew	2010	Andover, MA
Watanabe, Yuto	2011	Tokyo, JAP
Wei, Emily	2009	Sudbury, MA
Xu, Chuan	2012	Beijing, PRC

COACH: KEITH ROBINSON
ASSISTANT COACH: MIKA LATVA-KOKKO
Captain: Berol Dewdney

Schedule and Record

Record: 0/0/0

DATE/TIME	OPPONENT	H/A	TYPE	SCORE
1/7 @ 2:45 PM	Holderness School		Game	Canceled
1/14 @ 2:45 PM	Vermont Academy		Game	Both Teams 7th place
1/21 @ 2:00 PM	St. Paul's School		Game	G 5th of 8; B 7th of 8
1/28 @ 2:45 PM	Kimball Union Academy		Game	CANCELED
2/4 @ 2:45 PM	Proctor Academy		Game	Boys teams 5th of 9
2/11 @ 2:45 PM	Kimball Union		Game	
2/14 @ 3:00 PM	Northfield Mount Herman		Game	
2/18 @ 10:00 AM	NEPSAC Championships		Game	
2/25 @ 2:45 PM	Holderness School		Game	

Proctor

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Midway through the season the Andover nordic team is starting to show drastic improvement as the boys team beat Proctor and Putney for the first time this year. Cal Brooks '11 led the boys with a fantastic 9th place finish cracking the top 10 for the second straight race. Max Block '12 (23rd), Ben Ho '11 (25th), and Scotty Fleming '10 (27th) rounded out the scoring for the strong Andover squad. They were followed closely by Julian Danziger '11 and B.J. Garry '10. Andrew Townson '10, and David Luan '09 also did well in their first full 5k race of the year. The young team is starting to round into form nicely as they prepare for Nepsacs in two weeks.

The girls' team was led by captain Berol Dewdney '09 and Mimi Tanski '11 who both put together great races and finished in 11th and 13th place respectively. Louisa Chafee '09, Brenna Liponis '10, and Mia Pecora '10 all had solid races as well. Emily Wei '09 and Wesley Meyer '11 also did well as they powered up the hills in their first competition of the season.

Nordic Looks to Improve on Last Year Despite Lack of Returning Skiers

By Ben Ho
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover Nordic looks forward to a frosty New England winter this year as it hopes to improve its record despite losing a number of significant skiers on both the boys and girls teams.

Last season, Andover Nordic experienced a rebuilding year, with many new skiers joining the team.

Throughout the winter, the team improved drastically, as many skiers cut several minutes off their times.

At Interschols, the Andover girls grabbed four spots in the top 25, resulting in a very respectable fourth-place finish. The boys squad did not fair as well, as the team finished in ninth place at Interschols.

This season will once again be a rebuilding season for Andover Nordic.

The team graduated four from the boys team and two from the girls team. Many newcomers will look to fill these spots adequately as the season progresses.

Despite these losses, Captain Berol Dewdney '09 looks to lead the team to success: "The best thing about Nordic is that it is very fun but intense at the same time."

She continued, "Also, instead of being stuck inside for the whole winter, the team gets to enjoy the snow and the outdoors."

Key returners for Andover include Dewdney, Mimi Tanski '11 and Ben Ho '11.

Tanski had a breakout race at Interschols last year.

She led a veteran girls team to a top-five finish. Dewdney, the most experienced skier on the team, scored consistently last year.

She will try to improve that record and to integrate the new members of the team smoothly.

Dewdney commented on this year's key skiers, "Tanski is a rising star on the girls team, while Ho and Cal Brooks '11 should step up for the boys. If these skiers can raise their performances quickly, we should have a great season."

The situation on the boys squad is a little different from that of the girls squad.

Ho is the only returning varsity skier from last year's team. However, new skiers to the program including B.J. Garry '10, Cal Brooks '11 and Scott Fleming '10 look to complement him as the season progresses.

Despite being new to Andover, Brooks is by far the most experienced skier on the boys squad, and with the loss of last season's vital skiers like Dave Holliday '08, Brooks will look to have a critical role in the team's success.

This year is a rebuilding year for the team, but this does not mean that it will be an unsuccessful season.

Throughout preseason training, the team has been running hard and integrating strength workouts at the end of most practices.

Many skiers will ski over the winter vacation as they look to prepare for competitions that start right after the break ends.

Andover's first race is against Holderness on January 7.

Long Gradual Uphill Proves Tough Challenge in Opening Meet

By Ben Ho
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Last Wednesday, Andover Nordic braved freezing temperatures and icy winds at Vermont Academy to compete in their first race of the year. Despite many racers having skied for less than a week, Andover turned out many impressive races in the season opener.

The course at Vermont Academy promises to be one of the toughest courses Andover will encounter this year. The first three and a half kilometers of the VA course consists of gradual hills leading up the side of a mountain, followed by a series of lightning-fast winding descents leading back to the start.

The Andover boys kicked hard off the line, with Cal Brooks '11 leading the way, followed closely by Ben Ho'11 and Julian Danziger '11. After the quick start, Brooks proceeded to pull away on the hills with the leading pack, while Ho and Danziger hiked up a few racers behind. However, as the hills winded on, the strength and stamina of the Andover team dwindled, and the more experienced racers from other top schools such as Holderness and Vermont Academy pulled away.

After three grueling kilometers herringboning (hiking or running up a hill) up steep slopes and many near crashes on icy drops, the boys poled hard through the line with Brooks leading the way in sixteenth place. After many more talented skiers from competing schools crossed the line, Ho and Danziger followed and finished close together with positions of 34th and 38th place. Despite a hard effort, the boys ended up finishing last overall as it fielded a team of only five skiers, compared to other teams that raced over twelve.

Shortly after the boys finished, the girls team took to the slopes and looked to improve on last year's successful season, where they finished fourth at Interschols. Led by Captain Berol Dewdney '09, the girls looked to avoid any grievous errors.

The girls team, being more seasoned, started strong and remained in good positions throughout the race. Dewdney crossed the line first for Andover, finishing in 17th place. Mimi Tanski '11 followed a few racers later in 23rd.

Coach Keith Robinson was pleased with his team's performance, despite the undesirable results. "I think the team did very well considering the lack of experience. This was the first race for a lot of the team and they handled some difficult downhills without many falls or much trouble at all," said Robinson. He continued, "I think the team will continue to improve as the season goes on and we get more skiers experienced and racing. With so many racers who are new to the sport I expect we'll see good progress as people become more comfortable and

Brooks '11 Leads Strong Showing at St. Paul's

By Ben Ho
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Cal Brooks '11 dived through the finish line, securing a second place finish in the final heat of a sprint race last Wednesday. With Brooks' impressive finish, Andover secured a respectable finish against powerhouses like Holderness and St. Paul's. Despite racing half as many skiers and having half the experience of other schools, Andover skied extremely well in only their second race of the season.

Andover competed in a series of sprint races, hosted by St. Paul's. Each race was one kilometer long. The conditions at St. Paul's were perfect for skate skiing. Little wind and firm fast snow led to fast times and many close finishes, as the final heat was decided by barely a hair's breadth.

The skate race was formatted so that every racer had a fair environment to race in. After the first heats were completed, the racers were dived up into separate semifinal heats depending on their positions. The first two racers from every preliminary heat proceeded to the number one semifinal race, while the next to racers proceed to the number two semifinal race and so on.

Despite the lack of experience compared to other teams, Andover fared well. In the preliminary rounds, Andover's top skiers, Brooks, Ben Ho '11, Captain Berol Dewdney '09 and Mimi Tanski '11 all advanced through to the semi-finals and then on to the final heats.

Brooks' races were the most exciting of all, as he barely missed advancing to the final "A" heat, which comprised the top prep school skiers in the league. Despite his elaborate dive through the finish, Brooks was unable to pass his opponent. However, Brooks exacted his revenge in the final "B" heat, where he finished second. Although Andover showed a determined effort throughout the boy's races, the boys finished 7th out of eight teams, beating out Vermont Academy.

In the girls races, Andover showed a lot of talent and hard work, finishing tied for third with NMH. Led by Captain Dewdney, the team showed its depth, with Andover's scoring racers finishing within thirteen positions of each other. This consistency ultimately led to a third place finish. Dewdney finished 12th overall, as she advanced to the final "B" heat. Tanski also skied well, as she finished 19th overall. Bringing in the scoring racer was veteran Brenna Liponis '10, who finished 25th overall.

Andover Claims Fifth Place Finish at Proctor

By Ben Ho
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Cal Brooks '11 battled hard over the hilly 5k course at Proctor Academy and led the Andover Nordic team to a solid 5th place finish. Brooks' impressive performance secured him a 9th place finish.

The conditions at Proctor were perfect for skate skiing, a special skiing technique that uses diagonal skating strides. The snow was hard-packed and cold, providing a fast surface that led to lightning fast times.

The course at Proctor was one of the toughest Andover has skied yet, as it had many arduous climbs and tricky winding downhill sections. Nevertheless, Andover went into the race seeking to improve over the past weeks races and clench an elusive top five finish.

With the boys race starting first, many of Andover's skiers barely had time to put their skis on as they arrived only 10 minutes before the start.

Brooks led the way for Andover in the first heat, followed by Ben Ho '11 and Julian Danziger '11 in the second and third heats, respectively

Brooks fought hard throughout the race and finished with a time of 14:52 minutes.

Max Block '11 crossed the line second for the team in his first race for Andover. He shot over the finish line in 23rd place in 16:29, followed closely by Ho in 25th place with a time of 16:38.

Scotty Fleming '10 anchored the race for Andover, finishing in 28th place with a time of 17:01.

With three Andover skiers finishing within seconds of each other, they beat out more experienced teams like Putney and Vermont Academy.

Captain Berol Dewdney '09 paved the way for the girls, closely followed by Mimi Tanski '11. Dewdney blasted through the course to an 11th place finish and a time of 17:16.

While Dewdney took off, Tanski used her power to overcome her opponents. She finished 13 seconds after Dewdney in 13th place.

B.J. Garry '10 said, "We went out there not knowing how we would place, but the team put together a really great performance."

Coach Robinson added, "The guys made a huge leap this race. Fleming and Block put together great performances considering it was their first long skate race of the year."

Looking to the future, Robinson said, "We are going to be doing some really tough workouts in the coming weeks as we prepare for Interschols. We are going to try to help people who don't know how to ski classic to improve their skills."

With the great snow conditions the past few weeks Andover improved drastically as the racers are getting a lot of valuable training time.

Andover continues with high expectations as it prepares to ski classic next week at Kimball Union Academy.

Team Prepares for NEPSAC Competition

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Andover girls team was Mimi Tanski '11, who has improved considerably over the course of the season. With power and good striding technique, she finished in 17th place with a time of 26:12. Following Tanski were Brenna Liponis '10 and Mia Pecora '10.

Although they both fought hard throughout the race, fatigue and sickness caught up with them, not allowing them to compete to their full potential.

As only three girls were fit enough to race, Andover was unable compete and finished eighth overall.

The boys team, also stricken by sickness, fared well despite the loss of key skiiers.

Leading the pack for the boy's was Cal Brooks '11. Despite having a severe cold, Brooks skied hard up the grueling hills and pulled out a respectable 20th place finish.

Ben Ho '11 finished 30 seconds after Brooks in 22nd place, moving up several spots compared to his last classic race where he finished 34th.

Julian Danziger '11 and Andrew Townson '10 anchored the boys team, finishing in 29th and 39th place respectively.

Andover managed to pull out a fifth place finish overall.

Even though the outcome of the race was not as good as expected, Coach Keith Robinson was not concerned about the team's performance.

He said, "It was a good experience for the team even though the results didn't show."

Looking forward to NEPSACS next week, Robinson said, "Hopefully we can get the team healthy and ready to go for NEPSACs."

He continued, "With a fully healthy top five on the boy's side I expect we can do much better than we did today. If things work out on the health front I think we'll see the boys and girls have some of their best team results of the season at the race."

Andover will travel to Holderness this weekend in preparation for next week's NEPSAC championships at NMH.

Nordic Captures Fifth

Sickness Sidelines Team Members

By Ben Ho
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover Nordic plowed through sloppy conditions on Wednesday against Kimball Union Academy in what was to be a trying race for the depleted squad.

With almost half the team not fit to race due to sickness, Andover fought hard but was only able to bring home a fifth place finish.

The conditions at Kimball Union Academy were wet and slushy as temperatures all over New England rose above freezing.

However, since Andover was skiing classic, a form of skiing similar to running, the conditions did not prevent the race from happening.

With good ski preparation and training, Andover looked to race well despite only racing five boys and three girls.

The course at KUA was relatively hilly, with a huge climb at the beginning leading to a loop at the top of the hill.

After repeating the loop twice, the final two kilometers of the race were straight downhill to the finish.

Leading the way for the

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Nordic Finishes With Strong Performances, Take Advantage of Fast Course

By Ben Ho
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Max Block '12 poled hard through the finish line as he and Cal Brooks '11 led Andover Nordic to a second place finish on Saturday. Andover's strong performance on the NMH course placed it in great contention for the NEPSAC championships.

The race at NMH was a relay race with two-man teams. Andover raced four teams in the boys race and two in the girls race. The course at NMH was fast and icy, as the snow had melted and then refrozen the night before.

Andover took advantage of the perfect conditions, with the team of Brooks and Block finishing third overall, followed directly by the team of Julian Danziger '11 and Scotty Fleming '10.

The boys finished with a score of 16 tied with Belmont Hill's 16 points. Belmont Hill's third duo, however, outraced Andover's and took the win from Andover's clutches.

The girls team didn't fare quite as well, only racing two teams against Belmont Hill's four. Andover fought hard, though, and the duo of Louisa Chafee '09 and Mimi Tanski '11 took third place.

Following the strong performance on Saturday, the team traveled to Putney School in Vermont on Wednesday to race at the NEPSAC championships.

There were two races set up at Putney: a treacherous seven kilometer classic race and a skate relay.

Leading the way in the classic for Andover were Brooks and Tanski. Brooks went out first for Andover on the difficult course, navigating the tricky turns and steep slopes en route to a solid 22nd place finish. Following Brooks were Ben Ho '11 and Danziger, finishing in 31st and 33rd places respectively.

Danziger said, "That course was definitely the toughest course of the year. There were so many brutal uphill sections that really took a toll on the performances."

Directly after the finish of the boys race, the girls took on the relentless slopes. With Tanski out front followed closely by Captain Berol Dewdney '09, they led the girls team and finished in 18th and 19th place.

The boys went out hard from the start in the skate relay with Block taking the first leg. While Ho and Fleming placed the team in fourth place after their legs, it was up to Brooks to take the team through the finish.

Brooks fought hard against the top two skiers in New England even though he was pushed back into sixth place.

The girls relay team also fared well, with Dewdney leading the way and Tanski finishing on the anchor leg. Together they took third place.

The Andover boys finished seventh overall out of ten teams racing and the girls finished fifth out of seven teams.

With these excellent performances, Andover looks to race well at the final race of the season against St. Paul's.

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Mimi Tanski '11 skates to the finish line at the end of her race.

Nordic Captures Fourth Place; Dewdney '09 Secures Team Victory

By Ben Ho
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Captain Berol Dewdney '09 rocketed down the final hill and across the final stretch, leading Andover Nordic to a spectacular finish. With great performances by all members of the team, Andover finished the season strong in fourth place overall.

The race at Holderness was a dual race, where skiers skied both classic style and skate style. The first three kilometers of the race were skied classic with the racers returning to the start area afterwards to switch to skate skis and poles. At the start, the skiers switched equipment in a special transition zone. After changing equipment, the racers skated for another three kilometers before finishing at the start.

The girls took off first, with Mimi Tanski '11 leading the way. After proceeding through the steep ascent at the beginning of classic course, the girls settled into position and double poled their way through the rolling hills.

After making a quick transition, Tanski and Dewdney tackled the steep hills reeling in their opponents one by one. As they burst out of the woods, Dewdney led Tanski by around 10 yards, and they finished consecutively, taking 15th and 16th place.

After the whistle, the boys started hard off the line, looking to finish the season strong. First into the hills was Julian Danziger '11 followed by Cal Brooks '11 and Max Block '12. Although the beginning was extremely congested, the top racers started to break away from the pack with Brooks leading the way for Andover.

Andover developed a pack not far behind which included Block, Ben Ho '11, Scotty Fleming '10 and Danziger. Working together throughout the race, the boy's team finished strong in fifth place. Brooks took 17th place, followed by Block and Fleming in 20th and 21st place.

Danziger said, "I liked the duathalon format because it added a whole other element to the race, the transition, which made it exciting. The real key to doing well was the double poling during the classic."

"The team has improved a lot over the season. With the help of our coaches, each racer made huge improvements to their skiing which is incredible, especially considering almost everyone is new to the sport," said Brooks.

Sport: Boys Squash

Year: 2009

Captain: Graham Miao

Coach: Tom Cone

Season Record

Won 11 Lost 4 Tied 0

13th at Nationals

Letterwinners

Chau, Anthony
Chau, Eugene
Hong, Andrew
Jalan, Rishi
Meyer, Richard
Miao, Graham
Rice, Spencer
Schlacks, Hunter
Zou, Anthony

PHILLIPS ACADEMY~ ANDOVER
BOYS ' VARSITY SQUASH
2008~2009

Name	Yr	Hometown
Chau, Eugene	2009	San Ramon, CA
Jalan, Rishi	2009	New Delhi, IND
Schlacks, Hunter	2011	Raleigh, NC
Zou, Anthony	2009	Short Hills, NJ
Meyer, Richard	2009	New Orleans, LA
Miao, Graham	2009	Shanghai, PRC
Hong, Andrew	2010	Seoul,KOR
Chau, Anthony	2009	San Ramon, CA
Rice, Spencer	2009	Gibsonia, PA

COACH: TOM CONE

BV Squash Record 2009

Date		Opponent	Score	W/L
12/3/2008	Scrimmage	Belmont Hill School		N/A
12/6/2008	Game	Tabor Academy	2-5	Loss
1/10/2009	Game	Choate Rosemary	6-1	Win
1/10/2009	Game	Taft School	6-1	Win
1/14/2009	Game	Deerfield Academy	2-5	Loss
1/16/2009	Game	Groton School	5-2	Win
1/17/2009	Game	Middlesex School	7-0	Win
1/21/2009	Game	Loomis Chaffee	7-0	Win
1/23/2009	Game	St. Mark's School	2-5	Loss
1/24/2009	Game	Noble & Greenough School	4-3	Win
1/30/2009	Game	Milton Academy	4-3	Win
1/31/2009	Game	Choate	6-1	Win
1/31/2009	Game	Westminster	6-1	Win
2/4/2009	Game	Phillips Exeter Academy		N/A
2/6/2009	Tournament	HS Nationals		N/A
2/7/2009	Tournament	HS Nationals		N/A
2/8/2009	Tournament	HS Nationals		N/A
2/9/2009	Game	St. Paul's School		N/A
2/11/2009	Game	St George's School	7-0	Win
2/19/2009	Game	Brooks School	6-1	Win
2/20/2009	Game	Belmont Hill School	3-4	Loss
2/25/2009	Game	Phillips Exeter Academy	5-3	Win
2/27/2009	Tournament	Interscholastics		N/A
2/28/2009	Tournament	Interscholastics		N/A

Miao '09 Heads Squash

By Elizabeth Oppong
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Despite its 10th-place finish in New England, two regular season losses to Exeter left a bitter taste in the mouth of the 2007-2008 Andover Boys Squash team. With a Senior-laden squad returning this winter, Andover has its sights set on toppling Exeter and recording a top-three finish at Interschols. From its preseason loss against Loomis to the Interschols tournament, Andover exhibited tremendous improvement over the course of last season. Impressively, Andover beat its toughest competitor, St. George's, with a score of 4-3.

After having a great season last winter, led by Captain Graham Miao '09, the team shares an optimistic attitude. "This season promises to be very exciting, because our potential as a team is definitely one of the best in the league. Comprised almost entirely of experienced Seniors, we're extremely strong," said Miao.

This year, Miao, postgraduate Rishi Jalan '09 and Tony Zou '09 look to lead the way for Andover. Miao, who has been playing on varsity for four years, returns for the second straight year as team captain. The team expects Jalan to play number one or two on the ladder. Zou played number two last year and is likely to play number three this year.

Having graduated several Senior players such as Foster Jebsen, Dave Koppel, Jorden Zanazzi and Andrew Chan, this year's team dynamic differs sharply from last season's. "The top four in the ladder have all played on the team previously besides Jalan, while the bottom half of the top seven are all new," said Alex Park '09.

Some of the new standout players this season are Eugene Chau '09, who is number seven on the ladder, and Hunter Schlacks '11, who was previously a tournament tennis player. "Hunter only started playing squash in September, and he made varsity," said Park. Other new players to the team include Andrew Hong '10, Spencer Rice '09 and Park.

The team is looking forward to winning a lot of matches, keeping an accurate ladder and continuing their great team chemistry.

U.S. Junior Open

Three Seniors in National Tournament

By Elizabeth Oppong
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Over winter break Andover's top three squash players competed against athletes from across the nation in the U.S. Junior Open. Captain Graham Miao '09, Tony Zou '09 and Rishi Jalan '09 all played in the prestigious national tournament, which took place at Trinity College in Hartford, Connecticut.

Jalan had an especially successful tournament, earning a spectacular victory over a high-seeded Exeter player. Jalan's victory led him to a 10th-place finish out of 64 other top players from across the nation.

Miao said, "Many of the best players in the nation were at this event, and we all performed well against very difficult opponents."

This Saturday the team will travel to Choate Rosemary Hall to compete with some of its biggest rivals in a joint match against Exeter, Taft and Choate. Andover will face both Choate and Taft in the match.

Last season the team crushed Taft with a 7-0 victory, and it expects another easy win this time around. Choate came off with a narrow win last season, however, defeating Andover 4-3.

Andover will use its practices this week to prepare for a challenging match against a

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Squash Looks Well Prepared

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skilled Choate team.

The bottom half of the ladder, which includes Eugene Chau '09, Kyul Rhee '10 and Anthony Chau '09, has been improving steadily and will help contribute to Andover's success.

The team also plans to work hard this week with all-around training in fitness, skills and match play to prepare for Saturday's match-up. "We will be well prepared to pick up two solid victories and create a winning momentum for the season," said Miao.

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Rishi Jalan '09 serves against his Choate opponent. Jalan was one of six Andover winners on Saturday.

Boys Squash Overpowers Choate & Taft; Miao & Jalan Record Only Wins at Deerfield

By Elizabeth Oppong
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	6
Choate	1

Andover	6
Taft	1

Deerfield	5
Andover	2

Last Saturday, the Boys Varsity Squash team traveled to Choate Rosemary Hall to face two of their biggest rivals: Choate and Taft. The high-spirited team, led by Captain Graham Miao '09, pulled off an impressive win by final scores of six games to one against both Taft and Choate.

Rishi Jalan '09 headed the ladder followed by Miao, Tony Zou '09, Trey Meyer '09, Kyul Rhee '10, Anthony Chau '09 and Andrew Hong '10.

Hong unfortunately suffered a painful leg injury during his match, which ultimately led to a loss. But the team persevered.

"Kyul and Anthony played especially well and were the highlights of the event," said an enthusiastic Miao.

Zou won a thrilling close match three games to two.

This week, the team went to Deerfield Academy to play a tough Deerfield squad. Last season, Andover narrowly defeated Deerfield four games to three. This year, Deerfield has some of the top players and is the new number one in the league.

Miao and the team expected a very difficult match from Deerfield this season. During the week, a strong emphasis was placed on improving each player's fitness and consistency. They worked exceptionally hard with conditioning games and were prepared to challenge Deerfield.

"Playing simple and smart" would be the team's strategy, said Miao.

Though they put up a long and hard fight, Andover could not beat Deerfield and lost five games to two. Jalan won his game as number one on the ladder as well as Miao who also won an excellent match playing as number three on the ladder.

Zou, who was playing number two on the ladder, lost an exciting match. He started off the match winning by two games to one and had a lead of ten to five in the fourth game.

Sadly, he could not convert his match points and ended up losing only by a final of two games to three.

Also on the ladder were, Meyer, Rhee, Chau, and Hunter Schlacks '11.

On Friday, Andover will be playing Groton at home, as the squad looks to rebound from Wednesday's loss.

Miao is very confident about the match and is expecting a win.

"We have many players with lots of experience, and our younger players have lots of energy," said Miao.

The team will need this energy as they prepare to play an abundance of matches over the next month.

Jalan, Zou & Miao '09 Lead Winning Week

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"His opponent hit an insane number of lucky shanks," said Miao.

The other loss for the team came from Anthony Chau '09, barely losing in the last game of the best of five set

The following day, Andover faced off against Middlesex. The team crushed Middlesex, winning seven games to none in less than an hour.

The team was very excited with the win, especially after an unexpected challenge with Groton.

Andover packed up their bags and traveled to Loomis Chaffee on Wednesday, expecting a victory.

The team pulled off another win with a score of seven matches to zero.

The top three players of the ladder were Jalan, Zou, and Miao, respectively. The team seems to be gaining a lot of momentum and will do its best to channel this energy in future games.

The key to the three wins is Andover's team chemistry, which helps unite the team despite squash's independent nature.

All of the veteran players have developed a strong bond off the court for several years now, and the new players such as Jalan, Andrew Hong '10, and Hunter Schlacks '11 have been welcomed warmly to the team.

"The more activities the eleven of us do together off the court, the closer we become and the better our mental energy is," says Alex Park '09. The team has been channeling this energy and enthusiasm to the games and practices, and it has proved to be very successful for them so far.

This week, Andover squares off against Noble and Greenough School on Saturday. "They have neither the strength nor depth to greatly challenge us," said a very confident Miao.

On Friday, however, Andover will travel to St. Mark's School to face a highly anticipated match. St. Mark's is a deep team, as shown in its victory over Tabor, which defeated Andover earlier this season.

The team will address these potential issues by working on strategy, specifically pressure play with the lower half of the ladder. "We will have to build confidence as a team in order to beat St. Mark's," said Miao.

Andover Sweeps Week

Team Chemistry Propels Squash

By Elizabeth Oppong
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	5
Groton	2

Andover	7
Loomis	0

Andover	7
Middlesex	0

Empowered by the strong play of Rishi Jalan '09, Tony Zou '09 and Captain Graham Miao '09, Andover cruised to three victories this week, including two shutout wins of 7-0 to which every member of the Andover team contributed.

Andover faced Groton on their home courts on Friday. Led by Miao, Andover experienced some challenges in a game that was expected to be easy competition.

Trey Meyer '09, who was playing number four on the ladder, had a somewhat unlucky day.

Trey played an amazing match overall, but at the key points in the match, his Groton opponent prevailed.

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Andover Goes to 6-3

By Elizabeth Oppong
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

St. Mark's	5
Andover	2
Andover	4
Nobles	3

This weekend, Boys Varsity Squash had a series of tough matches. Despite losing to St. Mark's School on Friday, the team was able to pull off a narrow victory over Nobles and Greenough School.

Rishi Jalan '09, Tony Zou '09, Captain Graham Miao '09, Trey Meyer '09, Kyul Rhee '10, Anthony Chau '09 and Hunter Schlacks '10 constituted the lineup for the Friday match against St. Mark's, which Andover lost five games to two. Despite the dominating play of both Jalan and Miao, the rest of the team lost their matches.

"We could've won, but we lost disappointingly at key matches," said Miao.

On Saturday, Andover faced Nobles. The team went into the match expecting a very easy win yet again, but was surprised by the challenge presented by the Nobles squad. Andover prevailed, however, winning by a narrow four matches to three. Miao was happy for the win but not completely content.

"If we were to play them again, I think we could achieve something like a 6-1 victory," said Miao. Like the St. Mark's loss, a lack of mental resolve plagued the team throughout the weekend, resulting in below-average play.

Eugene Chau '09 and Alex Park '09 played at eighth and ninth positions on the ladder, respectively. Though they had very close games, neither could pull through with a victory.

However, Anthony Chau, Jalan, Miao and Schlacks did not let the losses affect their matches. Miao played a great game and won quite easily. Chau began his match neck and neck with a score of one to one, but he played smart and took control to win three games to one.

"Anthony exploited his opponent's backhand and movement weaknesses," said Miao.

After playing challenge matches on Tuesday, the ladder for Wednesday's game was selected. Jalan, Miao, Zou, Rhee, Meyer, Schlacks and Anthony Chau all prepared to play a highly anticipated game against St. Paul's School in which the stability of the ladder would be tested.

"St. Paul's has a good team and some newcomers just like us, but based on our compared results it's clear we're better overall," said Miao.

Due to the bad weather, however, Andover could not play against St. Paul's on Wednesday.

Rhee '10 Helps Andover Defeat Exeter With Come Back Victory

By Elizabeth Oppong
PHILLIPIAN **SPORTS WRITER**

Andover Boys Squash proved their worth this week by beating two of the top teams in New England, Exeter and Milton.

On Friday, Andover beat perennial powerhouse Milton four games to three in a closely contested match.

Captain Graham Miao '09 said, "Going into the match we knew we were the stronger at the top two, so if we could win two more out of the other five ladder positions, the victory would be ours."

Rishi Jalan '09, Miao, Tony Zou '09, Kyul Rhee '10, Trey Meyer '09, Hunter Schlacks '10 and Anthony Chau '09 were in the top seven in the match.

Jalan shakily began his match but showed poise in the next three games by coming back with his 'machine-gun' approach to top his very experienced opponent.

Meyer and Anthony neutralized the losses of Zou, Rhee and Schlacks by winning solid matches.

For the second time in a row, the win came down to Miao to decide the match in the crucial game. Splitting the first two matches 1-1, Miao overcame his opponent in a thrilling overtime win in the third match to bring his team to victory.

Andover swept in its joint match against Choate and Westminster winning both matches six games to one. Spencer Rice '09 played at 8th on the ladder, in addition to the same seven players from Milton's match, as the team geared up for a very exciting round of Saturday matches.

Andover beat Choate five games to two earlier this season, and they were ready to dominate this time. Andover also expected to dominate Westminster.

Jalan's match against his Choate opponent was the most exciting game of the day. The match began with Jalan leading two games to zero before his opponent fought back to tie the games. In the fifth game, Jalan prevailed, pulling off an epic win.

Last Wednesday, the team faced their biggest rival, Exeter. Andover defeated Exeter four games to three in the highlight match of the season. Jalan and Miao both won their matches two games to one. Zou, Meyer, and Chau all lost their hard fought matches, leaving the deciding match to Rhee.

Though Rhee was down two games to one and down eight points to three in his final game, Rhee fought back and earned himself a victory in the pivotal fourth game. With the strong support of his teammates and fans, he dug deep within himself to win in the fifth game and pulled out one of the most impressive victories of the season

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Rishi Jalan '09 gets low for a challenging return shot.

13th Place Finish at Nationals Below Top Ten Expectations

By Elizabeth Oppong
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Every February at Yale, the best squash teams from all around the country meet to compete in the High School Nationals. It lasts three days and includes 53 teams out of a pool of 500 qualifiers. The Nationals are split into four divisions, and Andover played in the Top Division comprised of 16 teams. The team went into the National competition confident, but ready for a challenge.

Many of the players expected a strong match from Chestnut Hill, their first opponent of the competition. Rishi Jalan '09, Captain Graham Miao '09, Tony Zou '09, Kyul Rhee '10, Trey Meyer '09, Hunter Schacks '10, Anthony Chau '09, and Alex Park '09 all geared up for an exciting tournament.

All of the top seven competed including Park at number eight. Andover lost to Chestnut Hill four matches to three in a tough battle. Jalan, Miao, and Zou all won their matches.

The team also faced a disappointing defeat from Exeter five matches to two. However, Andover came back and swept against Choate, winning seven matches to zero. The last match was against Potomac in which they triumphed six games to one. Andover ended up placing 13th, just shy of their ambitions to place in the top 10.

Miao had some doubts about the end result. "I feel our team was unlucky because the Exeter match itself was our second chance at a high ranking, and we had good morale," said Miao.

In the Exeter match, Jalan and Miao both won their matches, but Rhee and Chau could not pull through this time around. Overall, the team had a positive experience at the competition, facing great teams on a national stage. They each grew personally as players and bonded overall as a team.

The highlights of the tournament were the matches of Jalan and Miao who played 1st and 2nd on the ladder respectively. They did not drop a single game throughout the tournament.

After the excitement of Nationals, Andover began the week with a make-up match against St. Paul's School on Monday afternoon. Unfortunately, Jalan, a key player, was sick and had to default his match despite his eagerness to play. However, the team prevailed and beat St. Paul's six games to one.

On Wednesday, Andover geared up to play St. George's. Last season, St. George's had a competitive ladder with a lot of depth and charisma in the court.

Last year St. George's also had the number one player in New England, Antonio Diaz, to add to their skill. However, the loss of several key Seniors left the St. George's Varsity team very weak, and Andover's opponents conceded very easily.

Andover breezed through the matches. Each player beat their opponent quite easily. Anthony Chau '09 started off his match shakily, losing the first game.

He ended up winning his match by keeping a steady flow and not giving in even though his match was off to a tough start. In the end, Andover swept, winning seven matches to zero.

Rice '09 and Park '09 Forced to Step Up

By Elizabeth Oppong
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover experienced several major changes to its ladder this week, leading to two bittersweet matches against Brooks and Belmont Hill. Trey Meyer '09, a consistently key player, was originally supposed to play 5th on the ladder but was unable to play. In addition, Alex Park '09 and Spencer Rice '09 played their first matches of the season in the top seven ladder.

Andover geared up for its first match against Brooks on Thursday in what it expected to be an easy competition Rishi Jalan '09, Captain Graham Miao '09, Tony Zou '09, Kyul Rhee '10, Anthony Chau '09, Rice, and Park all played on the ladder for Andover.

Park played a great debut match, defeating his Brooks opponent three games to one. Playing with intensity, he controlled his match well and varied his shots in very long rallies. In the end Andover claimed the victory, winning six games to one.

On Saturday, Jalan, Miao, Zou, Rhee, Hunter Schlacks '10, Chau, and Rice faced Belmont Hill in their last home game of the season. Belmont Hill is the strongest team in New England, but Andover felt confident going into the match. "They were crippled because their number one was out due to an injury, and as a result, their ladder shifted," said Miao. This seemed like a prime opportunity for the team to claim a victory, but Belmont Hill proved to be too strong, and Andover lost narrowly, three games to four.

The top three prevailed, but the bottom four on the ladder lost against tough opponents. Jalan beat his skilled Belmont Hill opponent, even winning one game without a single point scored against him.

Rhee played the most exciting game of the match. It looked as if he was going to pull through with the win, but in the end he was unable to match his opponents endurance and skill. Miao hopes that this match will be a lesson just in time for Interschols. "He needs to gain that competitive edge we saw from him in the previous Exeter match in which he won three games to two," said Miao.

Overall, the Belmont Hill match proved disappointing both to the team and its Captain. "I felt like we could have won with our advantage, but without Meyer it was neutralized," said Miao.

On Wednesday, Andover traveled to Exeter to play a highly anticipated match. In a match earlier this season, Andover defeated Exeter once four games to three. However, Exeter also beat Andover five games to three at Nationals earlier in February.

All week, Andover trained with practice matches and high pressure drills. "We wanted to promote the physical intensity, endurance, mental discipline, and confidence we need against Exeter and in the Interschols," said Miao.

Chau was looking forward to an intense match on Wednesday. "I had high expectations for the team, and I knew everyone would put in 110% against our tough opponent," he said.

Andover prevailed over Exeter with final score of 5-2.

This weekend, Andover will head to Interschols for their final tournament of the season. With an amazing record so far, the team has great potential for a successful tournament.

Sport: Girls Squash

Year: 2009

Captain: Carolyn Brown

Coach: Tom Hodgson

Season Record

Won 5 Lost 9 Tied 0

Letterwinners

Blake, Jessica
Brown, Carolyn
Choi, Christine .
Howland, Amanda
Kim, Lauren
Kohn, Kimberly
Little, Emily
Rossi, Greta
Smith, Lydia
Wagner, Nicole
Wilmarth, Lauren

PHILLIPS ACADEMY- ANDOVER
GIRLS ' VARSITY SQUASH
2008-2009

Name	Yr	Hometown
Brown, Carolyn	2009	Concord, MA
Choi, Christine .	2009	Palo Alto, CA
Howland, Amanda	2011	New York, NY
Kim, Lauren	2010	Wyckoff, NJ
Kohn, Kimberly	2010	Riverside, CT
Little, Emily	2009	Sherborn, MA
Rossi, Greta	2009	Medicina (Bo),ITA
Smith, Lydia	2009	Lake Forest, IL
Wagner, Nicole	2009	Newport Beach, CA
Wilmarth, Lauren	2009	Andover, MA

COACH: TOM HODGSON

Schedule and Record

Record: 5/9/0

DATE/TIME	OPPONENT	H/A	TYPE	SCORE
11/19 @ 5:00 PM	Squashbusters	H	Scrimmage	
12/6 @ 4:30 PM	Westminster/St. George's/Milton	H	Scrimmage	
1/10 @ 12:00 PM	Choate Rosemary Hall	A	Game	L 0-7
1/14 @ 3:00 PM	Windsor School	A	Game	W 6-1
1/17 @ 3:00 PM	Taft	H	Game	L 0-7
1/17 @ 3:00 PM	Loomis Chaffee	H	Game	W 5-2
1/21 @ 3:15 PM	Tabor Academy	H	Game	W 6-1
1/23 @ 5:30 PM	Deerfield Academy	A	Game	L 0-7
1/24 @ 3:15 PM	Phillips Exeter Academy	A	Game	L 2-5
1/28 @ 2:30 PM	Groton School	A	Game	CANCELED
1/30 @ 4:30 PM	Milton Academy	H	Game	L 0-7
1/31 @ 2:00 PM	Middlesex School	H	Game	L 1-6
2/2 @ 4:30 PM	Brooks School	H	Game	W 7-0
2/6 @ 6:00 PM	HS Nationals	A	Game	
2/7 @ 4:30 PM	HS Nationals	A	Game	
2/8 @ 4:30 PM	HS Nationals	A	Game	
2/13 @ 4:30 PM	Noble & Greenough	H	Game	L 0-7
2/18 @ 2:45 PM	St. Paul's School	A	Game	W 5-2
2/20 @ 4:30 PM	Groton	A	Game	
2/25 @ 1:00 PM	Phillips Exeter Academy	H	Game	L 3-4
2/28 @ 9:00 AM	Interscholastics	A	Game	L 16th out of 16th

Returners Lead Team

Girls Squash Remains Competitive in League

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The team faired well last year, playing in the National High School Tournament sponsored by US Squash. Andover was seeded into the third division and played three close matches against top competitors. The team lost two close matches to the Chapin School and Westover School, and won a close match against the Springfield School to hold onto the #22 rank in the nation. Coach Hodgson was especially impressed with the sportsmanship of the girls.

In recent years, the team has been pretty evenly matched with archrival Exeter, but has seemed to struggle against the loaded Nobles and Greenough squad.

Last year, Nobles managed to completely sweep both Varsity and JV1, while Andover was able to scrounge up a win at the bottom of JV2.

The Andover team has their work cut out for them at the beginning of the season, facing Groton and Choate in the first two real matches of the season, both of which are away matches.

With that in mind, Lydia Smith '09 said, "It's going to be tough, but I am very optimistic about this season. We have a great group of girls and we are going to have a lot of fun."

Girls Squash Stays Busy in First Weeks of Term

By Tyler Jennings
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

PA Girls Squash players spent the busy first weeks of classes of winter term preparing for their matches. Led by veteran Coach Tom Hodgson, the roster consists of seven Seniors, two Uppers and one Lower.

Unfortunately, Captain and major force on the court Carolyn Brown '09 is still out with an ACL injury, which means that she will have to cheer her teammates on from the other side of the glass.

Before leaving for winter break, the team faced off against the tough New England rivals Milton Academy, St. Georges and Westminster at a jamboree, with hopes of tuning up their strokes and getting back into the groove of match play before beginning with their official competition this past Saturday. On Saturday, the girls faced a very tough Choate squad.

Last year, both teams played very close matches, but this year the turnout was not quite as fortunate. The Choate team managed to win almost every matchup.

On Wednesday, the girls faced the Windsor School, who in the past have been rather light competition. Looking into the future, the girls host Exeter and Tabor in two straight home matches followed by three straight away matches.

Lydia Smith '09 said, "These should be some really good matches coming up in the next few weeks, and we have to be prepared."

Playing on the road means that the girls will need to get ready this week in practice for the fatigue caused by the three-hour bus ride.

The focus of the practices preceding the weekend matchup were based on not only building a solid fitness base, but also fine-tuning the rudimentary skills needed to be successful on the court.

Wednesday, the first challenging practice, was meant to help solidify the ladder of the lineup, working on dexterity and speed as well as strength and the main skill sets needed on the courts.

After a slight stumble with Choate, the girls are looking to get the season back on track with wins in the next couple of weeks.

Big wins versus fellow New England rivals such as Taft, Deerfield, Tabor and Exeter are the first steps the Girls Squash team needs to make on their winter journey towards the New England interscholastic tournament.

Girls Squash Cruises in Wins Over Rivals Tabor and Loomis

By Tyler Jennings
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	5
Tabor	2
Taft	0
Andover	7
Andover	5
Loomis	2

With a loss to Taft still fresh in the minds of Girls Squash, Andover came storming back against Tabor this Wednesday for a dominant 5-2 victory behind the strong play of Christine Choi '09 and Captain Lydia Smith '09.

Andover and Tabor played very close matches last year, so this year the girls hoped to capitalize against their opponents on their home court.

Smith, who participated in last year's close competition, said, "They are a good team, but our girls demonstrated passion this match. The whole team played very good squash this round."

Prior to the Tabor victory, Andover stormed onto the courts at home to face New England rivals Loomis Chaffee and Taft last Saturday. With the home court advantage in mind, the team looked for its first official win of the season.

The girls cruised to a victory versus Loomis by a score of five games to their two. The great win and a restored sense of confidence was not enough, however, as the girls stumbled against a very tough Taft squad.

Carolyn Brown '09 said that, "Although we lost to Taft, they were a good team this year and we knew beforehand that they would be a challenge." Rather than being discouraged by the loss, Brown was excited about the team's enthusiasm and determination in every game.

Andover went on to lose each game, losing by a final score of 0-7. Despite the tough loss, many of the matches were close.

Smith, who has secured her position as the number one player on the team, battled in a close loss to one of the best girls squash players in all of India.

After the weekend games practice was focused mainly on skill development and consistency.

The girls are working extra hard in hopes of ensuring a win versus their opponents in the following weeks.

The impressive victory over the Tabor team gave the team a full head of steam heading into the games this weekend.

After a long stint of home games, the girls are hitting the road to face Deerfield Academy and archrival Phillips Exeter Academy later this week.

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Amanda Howland '11 gets in position to hit a return.

Individual Efforts Not Enough as Girls Squash Goes 0-2 on Week

By Tyler Jennings
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Deerfield	7
Andover	0

Exeter	5
Andover	2

Despite putting up one of the most valiant efforts of the season, Lydia Smith '09 lost in a four-game match against one of the best squash players in New England. This match characterized the week for Andover's Girls Squash team, which lost two matches against two very challenging opponents.

After spending two straight weeks with matches on Andover's home courts, the team took the road this past week, heading away to face two rival schools: Deerfield and Exeter.

On Friday night, the girls headed out on the first of two road trips and took the courts against a strong Deerfield squad. Playing in the number one position was Smith, who battled Deerfield's Halle Dewey, one of the top players in the league, in a tough four-game match.

Despite the loss, Captain Carolyn Brown '09 was still optimistic and said, "I thought we came out with good intensity against a Deerfield team that everyone knew was going to be challenging."

During their next match at Exeter, the best performance of the night came from Lauren Wilmarth '09, who played an inspiring match against her Exeter opponent.

Smith said, "Lauren Wilmarth's performance was absolutely incredible. All of her shots were on and everything seemed to be going her way."

With a final score of 2-5, the score didn't exactly reflect the play of the matches. Nicole Wagner '09, playing at number six on the ladder, and Lauren Kim '10, playing at number eight on the ladder, both lost matches in five games that could have gone either way.

Other notable performances during this otherwise disappointing match include that of Christine Choi '09, who, despite putting forth a valiant effort, ended up losing in a four-game set.

Smith said, "Although we lost to Exeter, our matches were very close. The Exeter girls are great to play against and we are really looking forward to hosting them at home in our last match of this season."

Smith also contributed to the match, notching the only other win of the night.

Looking forward to the weekend, Andover has matches versus Milton Academy and Middlesex on back-to-back nights.

Smith said, "I think that the matches this weekend will be a good chance for us to bounce back."

Girls Squash Drops Two in Tough Week

By Tyler Jennings
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Lydia Smith '09 once again led the Girls Squash team to its only win of the afternoon versus a tough Middlesex squad earlier this week. After losing the first of three games, Smith battled back against a tough opponent to take the game.

Other notable performances during the match came from Lauren Wilmarth '09 and Christine Choi '09, who both lost in 3 games. Although the other games were close, no other team member was able to scrounge up a win. With a final losing score of 1-6 in the match, Andover went back to practice with a new determination to improve.

In their second match of the week, Andover fared much better than it did in the previous two competitions. Versus cross-town rival Brooks, the Girls Squash team swept the ladder, winning every game that they competed in.

With heavy pressure to win, the girls were able to stay composed and not let their nerves get the best of them. As a result they were able to pull out a strong victory.

Before the win could sink in, the girls headed to Groton to make up the match that was previously canceled due to snow. Nothing seemed to go the right way for the girls this Tuesday, as Groton was able to sweep every Andover competitor. Although a couple of the games were close, no one was able to finish off with a win.

Wilmarth said, "We had a really rough time adjusting to the Groton courts and overall the match just didn't go our way. We needed to play at our best to win this match and we didn't." Although no one was able to win, the girls still have a positive outlook going into the weekend.

Looking ahead to the weekend and the weeks to come, the girls are heading to Yale to compete in the three-day High School Squash Nationals. This is going to be a very competitive tournament for the team and they have high hopes for the weekend.

Carolyn Brown '09 said, "The Brooks match was fantastic for us. It is great to have such good momentum flowing as we head into such a big tournament this weekend. I am so excited for nationals."

Next week the girls will work to fine tune their skills until Friday when the face Nobles and Greenough for yet another home match in this final stretch of the season.

Despite Valiant Effort, Not Enough to Advance

By Tyler Jennings
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

This past weekend, the Girls Varsity Squash team took on some of the most competitive teams from all over the east coast.

Coming off of a sweep of the Brooks School last week, the team had high expectations as they headed to New Haven, Connecticut to play in the national high school squash tournament hosted at Yale.

The girls qualified to play in the second highest division.

After a day of rest with Head of School Day and no classes on Friday because of the traveling it had to do, the girls were well prepared to face some of the top competition they were going to see all season.

On Friday night, the girls faced the Philadelphia based Agnes Irwin School, a team previously unknown to Andover before the tournament.

Coming out to a slow start and not ready for the competition that Andover had coming at it, the girls stumbled and ended up losing by a final score of 1-6.

The only member to win her match was number one ladder player Lauren Wilmarth '09.

After starting out slow, the girls rested and prepared to face division rival Pingry later that night.

After losing both the number one and two positions, the bottom part of the ladder battled back for an impressive win.

Notable performances of the night included those of Kim Kohn '10 and Lauren Kim '10.

Watching from the sidelines, Captain Carolyn Brown '09 was extremely excited with this win and said, "I am so proud of our girls for playing so confidently. This is a team win more than anything else."

She continued, "When we were having a tough time at the top, the rest of the team was able to pull through."

After starting out the weekend 1-1 on Friday night, Andover woke up on Saturday morning revitalized and ready to face their next opponent.

With their chances of advancing farther in the tournament on the line in the next match, it was do or die. The girls were scheduled to face the Roland School, an all girls' school from Baltimore, Maryland.

With a will to win, Nicole Wagner '09 started the girls off with a win in five games.

Lydia Smith said, "After struggling to win five game matches all year long, Nicole finally prevailed and that was really exciting."

Another significant performance was that of Lydia Smith '09.

Unfortunately, the girls ended up losing by a final score of 4-3.

With this devastating loss, they were knocked out of the tournament after a very respectable showing.

Taking a look forward, the girls are closing in on the end of the season as they inch closer and closer to the New England Interscholastic Tournament.

This weekend the girls host Nobles and Greenough, a challenging ISL rival.

Girls Squash Shut Out in Nobles Match

By Tyler Jennings
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Nobles	7
Andover	0

Andover	5
St. Paul's	2

After coming off of a great showing at the High School National Tournament, Andover Girls Varsity Squash took to their home courts in front of a packed gallery versus a very tough Nobles and Greenough squad this Friday.

With senior and number one player on the ladder Lydia Smith '09 in Washington, DC, everyone's positions shifted.

Although the girls lost by a final score of 0-7, the score didn't reflect most of the evenly played matches.

Kim Kohn '09 came onto the courts storming.

She showed her true abilities as she ran her opponent all around the court with a mixture of lobs and hard, low skill shots.

She battled in a match that went all the way to five games and lost by a final score of 1-4.

Other notable performances included that of Lauren Wilmarth '09.

With the absence of Smith, she was forced to fill the number one spot.

Despite losing all of her games, Wilmarth took a strong Nobles number 1 to game point twice.

Captain Carolyn Brown '09 was pleased about the way the team played and said, "I think that the girls really stepped up and showed some real guts and spirit."

She continued, "I think that on a different day, with our full roster, we might have been able to pull this one off. Even so, the match was really much closer than it looks on paper."

With motivation to avenge its loss to Nobles, Andover headed to St. Paul's School on Wednesday afternoon.

With every member of the team healthy and ready to play, the girls came prepared and were able to pull of a win by a final score of 5-2.

Smith was well-rested and ready to play.

She completely dominated in her match at the number one position.

As usual, Wilmarth played well along with Kohn and Nicole Wagner '09.

Lydia Smith said, "After being gone for the weekend I was really glad to get back on the court."

She contnued, "I felt really good out there and everyone on the team played great and gave a solid effort."

She continued, "We really need to carry this momentum into the end of the season."

Looking to next week, Andover hits the road, traveling to Groton for a rematch with hopes of making a statement after a loss earlier in the season.

Later, Andover will host archrival Phillips Exeter Academy in the final match of the season before Interschols.

Exeter's record, at 6-5 this season in meets where they are not in a tournament, is comparable to Andover's record, which to date stands at 4-6. This should be a matchup that will attract a large audience.

Squash Falls to Groton

Howland '11 and Kohn '10 Record Only Wins

By Tyler Jennings
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Exeter	5
Andover	2

Groton	5
Andover	2

Amanda Howland '11 stormed the courts in one of the first matches of the night last Friday, setting the tone by pulling out a hard fought win against her Groton opponent. After playing Groton earlier this season with disappointing results, the Girls Squash team knew it had to play its best to defeat Groton on its home courts.

Coach Hodgson stressed that each girl needed to learn from her previous match and use it against her opponent to win. Kim Kohn '10 used this advice to her advantage, beating out her Groton opponent in a close match. Despite this hard work and effort, Andover was unable to claim the victory against a challenging Groton squad and fell five matches to two.

Senior Lydia Smith said, "Groton always has a good team and this year we couldn't quite bring it all together when we played them. It was tough going on the road for losses on two separate occasions but I was extremely pleased about our progress."

The girls faced Exeter for the second time this season in their last dual team match of the season. After suffering a loss to Exeter on the road earlier in the season, Andover was anxious to host its archrival and avenge the earlier loss.

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Despite 5-2 Loss to Exeter, Seniors Feel Season Ended on 'Good Note'

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Since the last match-up the Exeter ladder had changed significantly. Despite the challenging new lineup, every girl on the team fought hard against her Exeter opponent and showed significant improvement.

Playing in the number four position, Kohn used her array of different shots and her quick feet to give her opponent a tough match.

In her last match at home for Andover, Smith started out slow and dropped her first game. She battled back, however, eventually winning in four games.

Carolyn Brown '09 said, "This was a great match. I am really proud of the way that we played and by how much we clearly improved during the season. Our match today could have definitely gone either way."

The Exeter match eventually came down to the final points in the fifth game. Despite giving its best effort on the court, Andover lost by a final score of 2-5.

Lauren Wilmarth '09 said, "I am very happy that we ended the season on this note. I think that the team can and will channel our energy into playing well at Interschols this weekend."

This week marked the end of the regular season for Andover. This week the team will spend time practicing and refining its strokes for the competition at Interschols next weekend.

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Amanda Howland '11 hustles to defend a low shot off the wall against Exeter.

Sport: Boys Swimming

Year: 2009

Captains: Brendan Deveney, Steven Lee-Kramer

Coach: Jacque Hugon

Assistant Coach: David Fox

Season Record

Won 5 Lost 0 Tied 0

Second at Interschols

Letterwinners

Brenner, James
Choi, Derrick
Conte, Lorenzo
Deveney, Brendan
Deveney, Conor
Falk-Wallace, William
Faulkner, William
Feng, Tony
Fraser, Andrew
Harrington, Asa
Hon, Curtis
Jow, Vincent
Lee-Kramer, Steven
Leung, Jonathan
Li, Randy
Mahoney, Matthew
Martino, James
McAuliffe, Conor
Morris, Benjamin
Nanda, Alexander
Qiu, Bowen, mgr
Smachlo, Hugh
Zhou, Lawrence

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BOYS' VARSITY SWIM
2008-2009

Name	Yr	Hometown
Aubrey, Calvin	2012	Clarks Summit, PA
Brenner, James	2010	Andover, MA
Choi, Derrick	2012	Mid-Level,HON
Conte, Lorenzo	2012	Methuen, MA
Deveney, Brendan	2009	Newtown, CT
Deveney, Conor	2011	Newtown, CT
Falk-Wallace, William	2010	New York, NY
Faulkner, William	2009	Homer, AK
Feng, Tony	2009	Avon, CT
Fraser, Andrew	2010	Old Greenwich, CT
Harrington, Asa	2009	Boulder, CO
Hon, Curtis	2010	Burlington, MA
Jow, Vincent	2009	Pearland, TX
Lee-Kramer, Steven	2009	Princeton, NJ
Leung, Jonathan	2011	HON
Li, Randy	2010	Canton, MI
Mahoney, Matthew	2011	Nashua, NH
Martino, James	2009	Laconia, NH
McAuliffe, Conor	2010	Andover, MA
Morris, Benjamin	2011	Andover, MA
Nanda, Alexander	2011	Shreveport, LA
Novis, Austen	2011	Jamestown, RI
Phillips, Cameron	2011	Woburn, MA
Robinson, Francis	2011	North Andover, MA
Smachlo, Hugh	2011	Rexford, NY
Zhou, Lawrence	2009	Getzville, NY

COACHES: JACQUE HUGON & DAVID FOX

Captains: Brendan Deveney & Steven Lee- Kramer

Managers: Bowen Qui & Peiyu Wu

Schedule and Record

Record: 5/0/0

DATE/TIME	OPPONENT	H/A	TYPE	SCORE
12/5 @ 5:00 PM	Blue/White	H	Scrimmage	
1/10 @ 2:00 PM	Choate Rosemary Hall		Game	W 108-78
1/17 @ 3:00 PM	Loomis Chaffee School	H	Game	W 103-76
1/24 @ 3:45 PM	Northfield Mount Herman		Game	W 119-47
1/31 @ 2:15 PM	Deerfield Academy	H	Game	107-79
2/7 @ 1:00 PM	Hopkins School	H	Game	W 107-77
2/11 @ 5:00 PM	St. John's Prep	H	Game	
2/25 @ 3:30 PM	Phillips Exeter Academy	H	Game	W 115-71
3/7 @ 12:00 PM	New England Championships		Championship	2nd Place

Choate

1/1/2009

For its first meet of the 2009 season, the PA swim team traveled to Choate, where it prevailed over the Wild Boars of Choate 108 – 78. Andover led from the first event, sweeping the 200 Medley Relay with the team of Conor Deveney '11, Curtis Hon '10, Alex Smachlo '11 and Will Falk-Wallace '10 winning in 1:56.29, followed by the team of Ben Morris '11, Larry Zhou '09, Conor McAuliffe '10 and Jonathan Leung '11 in 1:57.64. Hon went straight from the first relay to the 200 Free, winning the event in 2:04.42. Captain Brendan Deveney '09 continued the winning streak for Andover, capturing the 200 Individual Medley in 2:13.66, while Morris took third place in 2:21.88.

The 50 Freestyle allowed Choate to record its first individual win of the afternoon, when Patrick Li narrowly edged out Falk-Wallace 25.84 to 26.42, while Leung captured third place. Going into the diving event, Andover led 40-22. Choate diver Tyler Makepeace dominated the diving, recording 209.05 points ahead of Andover's Kyle Ofori '09 with his personal best point total of 151.15 points. Newcomer Tommy Kramer '11 took third place with an excellent 117.80 points.

When swimming resumed, captain Deveney resumed Andover's winning streak, taking the 100 Butterfly in 1:00.23 ahead of Choate's Murphy, while Smachlo grabbed third place in 1:02.57. Choate's Patrick Li recorded his second individual win of the day in the 100 Freestyle, with Choate sweeping the first three places of the event, and narrowing Andover's lead to 62-48.

Without doubt the highlight of the meet came during the next event, the 400 Freestyle, when Andover's McAuliffe boldly set out to challenge the New England record in the event, which had stood since 1996 with a time of 4:11.86. On pace for the record through the first 300 meters, McAuliffe faded in the end, missing the record with an otherwise remarkable 4:14.11. Lorenzo Conte '12, in his first dual meet with the Big Blue, grabbed third place in 4:34.56.

Choate captured the 200 Freestyle Relay in 1:44.25, while the teams of Deveney B., James Martino '09, Leung and Falk-Wallace took second place, followed by Tony Feng '09, Morris, Smachlo and Alex Nanda '11 in third place.

Conor Deveney won his first individual event in a dual meet in the 100 Backstroke with an excellent time of 1:02.65, followed by Derrick Choi '12, swimming in his first meet for Andover. William Faulkner '09 rounded out the sweep for the boys in blue.

Hon then easily won the 100 Breaststroke with a time of 1:11.75, with Zhou taking third place. Andover finished the afternoon by winning the last relay with the team of Deveney B., Feng, McAuliffe and Randy Li '10 in 3:48.56.

The final score stood at 108-78 in favor of Andover, who will host the Pelicans of Loomis-Chaffee this coming Saturday January 17 for the home opener.
For full results, visit www.andoveraquatics.net and click on "Team Pictures and Results", then "Boys / 2000s".

Loomis

1/17/2009

The boys' swim team successfully concluded a hard week of practice on Saturday with a win over the Pelicans of Loomis-Chaffee 103-76.

The meet started auspiciously for Andover with its medley relays taking the first three places of the event, with the team of captain Brendan Deveney '09, Randy Li '10, Jimmy Brenner '10 and William Faulkner '09 outdueling their teammates. Jon Leung '11 followed with a win in the 200 Freestyle in a personal best time of 1:52.16, just ahead of Alex Smachlo '11 also recording a personal best time of 1:53.58.

In the 200 Individual Medley, Conor Deveney '11 continued his promising start to the season with an excellent 2:05.97, followed by teammates Ben Morris '11 in 2:06.21 and Larry Zhou '09 in 2:06.82. Brenner continued Andover's winning ways by just out-touching Loomis' Fantini in 23.37, while Asa Harrington '09 took third place in 23.72.

Loomis captured its first individual win of the afternoon in the diving event, with Jeremy Orkisz easily taking the event with 255 points, ahead of Kyle Ofori '09 with 148.65 points and Tommy Kramer '11 with 117.70 points.

After the diving break, the trio of Smachlo, Conor Deveney and Andrew Fraser '10 swept the 100 Butterfly, with Smachlo winning in a very good 56.36. Andover prevailed in the 100 Freestyle, with Faulkner winning in 52.31, just ahead of Leung in 52.40 and Harrington in 52.69.

Matt Mahoney '11, swimming in his first event of the afternoon, dueled with teammate Curtis Hon '10 throughout the 500, finally gaining the edge in the final 100 yards to win in 4:59.10 to Hon's 4:59.28.

In the 200 Freestyle relay, the team of Will Falk-Wallace '10, Tony Feng '09, Conor McAuliffe '10 and Brenner took first place in 1:34 53. Andover swam exhibition the rest of the way, but one should note the very good performances of Morris (57.88), Derrick Choi '12 (58.35) and Lorenzo Conte '12 (1:00.10) in the 100 Backstroke.

Next weekend Andover will travel to NMH for a dual meet. For full results, visit www.andoveraquatics.net and click on "Team Pictures and Results", then "Boys / 2000s". League results can be obtained at www.nepssa.org.

NMH

1/24/2009

Traveling with a smaller squad than usual, the PA boys swim team raised its record to 3-0 for the season, defeating the host team of Northfield Mount-Hermon 119-47.

After a short warm-up due to the team arriving on the late side in western Massachusetts, the boys in blue immediately set the tone for the meet, taking the first two places in the Medley relay. The team of Derrick Choi '12, Randy Li '10, Alex Smachlo '11 and Alex Nanda '11 won in 1:48.02, ahead of Frankie Robinson '11, Vincent Jow '09, Andrew Fraser '10 and Jonathan Leung '11 in 1:50.70.

The only three swimmers from Andover who did not participate in the fist relay raced in the 200 Freestyle, taking the first three spots, with Conor Deveney '11 winning in 1:55.69, ahead of Lorenzo Conte '12 in 1:59.65 and Asa Harrington '09 in 1:59.69.

The 200 IM saw the home team record its first win of the afternoon, with Bo Martin easily winning in 2:06.40 ahead of Smachlo in a personal best time of 2:08.23, and Li in 2:14.33.

NMH's Hermould won the next event, pushing back strong opposition from the trio of Nanda, Leung and Tony Feng '09, who finished in this order behind him. With no diving event, a ten-minute pause allowed the swimmers to catch their breath and swim down a bit.

When the meet resumed, Andover's Feng won the 100 Butterfly, coming back from behind to edge his teammate Fraser 58.18 to 58.39. Andover then swept the next event, taking the top three spots in the 100 Free with Leung, Deveney and Harrington in that order.

The 500 Freestyle saw NMH's Martin capture his second win of the afternoon, once again pushing back Smachlo's attempt to close the gap in the last 100 yards of the race, with Conte grabbing third place.

The 200 Free Relay saw the team of Harrington, Nanda, Feng and Leung win in 1:36.29.Choi then won the 100 Backstroke in 58.93, ahead of teammates Robinson and Calvin Aubrey '12. Jow closed out the individual wins for Andover by dominating the 100 Breast in 1:07.31, ahead of teammates Li and Austen Novis '11. In the final event of the day, the boys in blue took the first two spots of the 400 Free Relay, with the team of Smachlo, Choi, Deveney and Harrington finishing in 3:37.07 ahead of Nanda, Aubrey, Cameron Phillips '11 and Conte in 3:47.72.

Next Saturday, January 31, Andover will host Deerfield, in a dual meet pitting last year's first and second place teams at the New England championships. The meet will start at 2:15 pm.

Deerfield

1/31/2009

At the conclusion of a fast dual meet that pitted the top two finishers in last year's New England Championships, the Big Blue prevailed 107 – 79, reversing last year's dual meet defeat suffered at Deerfield.

Andover was on the offensive right from the starting gun, with the relay of co-captain Brendan Deveney '09, Curtis Hon '10, Jimmy Brenner '10 and co-captain Steven Lee-Kramer '09 going under the 1:40 barrier to capture the win, while the team of Derrick Choi '12, Larry Zhou '09, Alex Smachlo '11 and Asa Harrington '09 brought home valuable third-place points.

The first individual event of the afternoon, the 200 Freestyle, featured a dramatic finish, as Andover's Conor McAuliffe '10 caught Deerfield's Dominic Kwok in the last few yards of the race to out-touch him 1:48.75 to 1:48.79, while Andover's Matt Mahoney '11 grabbed third place.

Deveney continued the Andover streak, speeding away in the 200 Individual Medley to win in a very good 1:58.65, while Hon split Deerfield's best IMers Andrew Wood and Tom Burrow to grab third place.

Deerfield's Oliver Lee got Deerfield on the winning track, easily capturing the 50 Freestyle in a remarkable 21.60, while Lee-Kramer got his season's best time in 22.68 for second place. At the break, Andover was handily winning 37 – 25, but memories of the previous year's comeback by Deerfield after the diving event kept the final outcome in doubt.

The diving event showcased a remarkable team effort by Andover's divers, with Kyle Ofori '09 improving on his best-ever dual meet score to win with 175.90 points, while Tommy Kramer '11 picked up third place with 143.40 points, and Manwei Chan '10 added the 2 points for fourth place to Andover's total with 124.60 points.

As the swimming resumed, Andover demonstrated that they intended to keep their hold on the meet, with the duo of McAuliffe and Brenner going 1-2 in the 100 Butterfly. All eyes were Deerfield's Lee for the 100 Freestyle, but Andover's Hon fought him every inch of the race, narrowly missing the upset in the event 49.40 to 49.65.

Andover continued its season-long domination of the middle-distance event, with Mahoney pulling away from the field in 4:58.60 in the 500 Freestyle, followed by Smachlo, racing just ahead of rival Cameron Overy from Deerfield to insure the 1-2 for the boys in blue.

Deerfield flexed its muscles in the 200 Freestyle relay, winning the event in 1:29.95 in front of the team of Lee-Kramer, Harrington, Brenner and McAuliffe. But when the team of Jonathan Leung '11, Alex Nanda '11, Will Falk-Wallace '10 and William Faulkner '09 took third place, the event only allowed Deerfield to narrow the gap by two points, 83 – 57.

The Deveney brothers then clinched at least a tie for Andover, with Brendan winning the 100 Backstroke in a personal best time of 54.12, while Conor Deveney '11 confirmed his excellent early-season form with a second place in 56.06.

The last individual event featured Deerfield's only 1-2 finish of the afternoon, with top Breaststrokers Wood and Kwok both under 1:03, while Andover's Zhou recorded a personal best time to take third place in 1:03.60.

With the win in hand, Andover's top quartet of Mahoney, McAuliffe, Hon and Deveney recorded an outstanding 3:18.18 in winning the 400 Freestyle relay, putting an emphatic exclamation point on what was already an exceptional afternoon of swimming for the home team. The final score reflected Andover's very good team performance, 107 - 79.

Andover will be back in action on Saturday, February 7 at 1:00 pm, hosting Hopkins.

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Hopkins

2/7/2009

At the conclusion of a difficult week in practice, with many team members falling sick for part or all of the week, the boys' swim team still managed to improve its record to 5-0 for the season, defeating Hopkins 107-77.

As has been the pattern all season, the boys in blue took a commanding lead right from the first event, with the team of Derrick Choi '12, Curtis Hon'10, Jimmy Brenner '10 and Asa Harrington '09 winning the 200 Medley relay in 1:43.76, just ahead of their teammates William Faulkner '09, co-captain Steven Lee-Kramer '09, Alex Smachlo '11 and Will Falk-Wallace '10 in 1:44.04.

Hopkins responded immediately, with Connor Maher and Joseph Celestin finishing 1-2 in the 200 Freestyle event, ahead of Matt Mahoney '11 in 1:51.45. Hon recorded his second of what would be four total wins on the day, narrowly fighting back Hopkins' Doug Barber 2:02.87 to 2:03.59 in the 200 Individual Medley, while Larry Zhou '09 grabbed third place in 2:05.04.

Brenner augmented Andover's lead going into diving, winning the 50 Freestyle sprint in 22.97, with Falk-Wallace taking third place in 24.34. The diving event was dominated by Hopkins, with Ben Weill winning with 244.10 points ahead of teammate Cooper-Vespa. Tommy Kramer '11, improving every meet, finished third with a personal high point score of 156.45 points.

When swimming resumed, Andover led 47-31. Chris Granata of Hopkins won the 100 Fly in 55.87, out-touching Andover's Smachlo by just 6/100 of a second for the win, while Andrew Fraser '10 took third place. The 100 Freestyle was dominated by Lee-Kramer, sprinting away from the field in an excellent 50.21, while Harrington brought home the third-place points in 52.87.

The 500 Freestyle saw once again Hopkins' Maher demonstrating his great form, dropping Conor McAuliffe '10 in the final 200 yards to win in 4:46.61 to McAuliffe's 4:49.11. Four swimmers finished under the 5:00 mark in this event!

The other highlight of the meet immediately followed the middle distance event, with the team of Hon, Brenner, Lee-Kramer and co-captain Brendan Deveney '09 coming very close to the school record in the 200 Freestyle relay, finishing in 1:29.02.

Hopkins' Pablo Cuevas then won the 100 Backstroke in 55.49, ahead of Ben Morris '11 in 56.81 and Choi in 57.93. Hon completed his sweep of events by leading a 1-2-3 finish for Andover in the Breaststroke event in 1:03.35, ahead of Zhou and Vincent Jow '09. Andover swam the last relay with unofficial entries, recording a very good 3:20.44 with the quartet of Lee-Kramer, McAuliffe, Harrington and Deveney.

The Andover boys' team will be back in action this Wednesday, February 11 at 5:00 pm at home against powerhouse St-John's Prep, before closing the dual meet season against perennial rival Exeter also at home on Wednesday, February 25 at 3:30 pm.

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Exeter

2/25/2009

Renewing the friendly rivalry between both sister schools that has taken place in the pool since 1920, the Big Blue today recorded its fourth consecutive dual meet victory against Exeter, easily winning 115 to 71.

With just 10 days to the championship, and with both teams at the start of taper, this meet acted as a last dress rehearsal before the season finale, and a final chance for swimmers to fine-tune race strategy as well as test their conditioning.

After the traditional ceremony recognizing seniors from both teams, and a terrific rendition of the national anthem by four of our seniors, Andover got off to a fast start with a win in the first relay, with the team of Derrick Choi '12, Larry Zhou '09, Jimmy Brenner '10 and co-captain Steven Lee-Kramer '09 finishing in 1:41.91.

Co-captain Brendan Deveney '09 stepped up to race in the 200 Freestyle, the first of four remarkable swims he recorded this afternoon. Brendan sped away from the field, finishing in 1:45.81 (a few tenths of second away from the Andover-Exeter meet record), with Conor McAuliffe '10 and Matt Mahoney '11 completing the Andover sweep respectively in 1:48.95 and 1:49.71.

Exeter's team leader Adam Lebovitz (who coincidentally hails from the same club team as Deveney) immediately replied, pushing back strong opposition from Andover's Curtis Hon '10 to take the 200 Individual Medley in 2:01.48. Larry Zhou '09 grabbed third place, finishing just behind Hon's 2:03.19 with a time of 2:05.48.

Exeter's best sprinter Nathan Bu continued Exeter's string of success, winning the signature sprint event in 23.07, ahead of Brenner in 23.25 and Will Falk-Wallace '10 in 23.77.

Exeter then took the first two spots in the Diving event, with Thomas Jardine winning with 198.10 points ahead of Jamie Ashton with 188.65 points, while Andover's Kyle Ofori '09 finished third with 177.35 points.

When swimming resumed, Andover's lead was still a comfortable 45 – 33, but Exeter had won three events in a row.

In the 100 Butterfly, Ben Morris '10 confirmed the great form he has shown all season, taking the win away from Exeter's Deland 55.86 to 56.57, while Brenner brought home the third place points with a time of 56.59.

Co-captains Brendan Deveney and Lee-Kramer, swimming in their last dual meet for Andover, then teamed up in the 100 Freestyle event for a 1-2 finish, with Deveney in 48.09 and Lee-Kramer narrowly out-touching Exeter's Bu 50.14 to 50.18.

In the middle distance race, one of Andover's strongest events this season, McAuliffe went out fast (1:52 in the first 200) before finishing with a season-best time of 4:48.93, ahead of teammate Mahoney also in a season-best 4:55.74.

The 200 Freestyle relay proved to be the highlight of the meet performance-wise, with the team of Hon, Brenner, Lee-Kramer and Brendan Deveney breaking the school record in the event in 1:28.19.

Lebovitz temporarily halted the streak of Andover event wins, capturing the 100 Backstroke in 55.17 ahead of Conor Deveney '11 in 56.18, and Choi in 57.44.

In the last individual event, Hon led a 1-2 finish for Andover, winning in 1:03.19 ahead of Zhou in 1:04.23. And in the last relay, the team of Mahoney, McAuliffe, Hon and Brendan Deveney finished the dual meet season on a high note, winning in a very good 3:17.30.

Andover will next travel to Hotchkiss on Saturday, March 7 for a rematch of last year's championship battle with Deerfield, also featuring a strong Suffield squad and the rest of the New England Prep School league.

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NE Championships

3/7/2009

In a championship meet dominated by individual performances from Suffield, and by the depth of both Deerfield and Andover, the boys in blue brought home the runner-up trophy for the second year in a row, in the process breaking two school records, making three All-American cuts, and scoring an unprecedented 375 points.

After soundly defeating Deerfield in the regular season, Andover knew going into the weekend that the championship battle would pit both teams' tremendous depth against each other, with the relays likely providing a decisive edge to either team.

Both Andover and Deerfield came out swinging in the morning preliminaries, each team qualifying 3 or 4 of its swimmers in most events for the evening showdown. But despite placing 26 of the team's 32 entries in the evening finals, and recording numerous personal best times in the process, Andover still found itself down by about 30 points after the morning swims.

As in past years, the blue team came alive in the evening finals, quickly closing the gap with tremendous evening performances, and jumping over Deerfield swimmers in several races to reverse the point differential. But Deerfield prevailed over Andover in two of the three relays, and was able to pick up a couple of individual victories to repeat as champions with a 20-point margin.

200 Medley relay "A":
4th, 1:38.79 – Conor Deveney '11, Larry Zhou '09,
Jimmy Brenner '10, Steven Lee-Kramer '09
200 Medley relay "B":
1st, 1:44:42 – Derrick Choi '12, Randy Li '10,
Tony Feng '09, William Faulkner '09

200 Freestyle:
4th, Conor McAuliffe '10, 1:45.69
5th, Matt Mahoney '11, 1:45.94 (Lower year school record)
14th, Jon Leung '11, 1:50.23
20th, Randy Li '10, 1:52.83

200 Individual Medley:
2nd, Brendan Deveney '09, 1:54.17 (Automatic "All-American")
7th, Ben Morris '11, 1:59.90

8th, Larry Zhou '09, 2:01.90
9th, Conor Deveney '11, 2:01.06

50 Freestyle:
2nd, Steven Lee-Kramer '09, 21.73
4th, Jimmy Brenner '11, 22.28
16th, Alex Nanda '11, 22.97
23rd, Asa Harrington '09, 23.29

1-meter diving:
11th, Kyle Ofori '09, 270.90
15th, Tommy Kramer '11, 227.50
20th, Manwei Chan '11, 130.80

100 Butterfly:
7th, Jimmy Brenner '10, 53.03
9th, Ben Morris '11, 53.41 (Lower year school record)
10th, Alex Smachlo '11, 53.92
18th, Andrew Fraser '10, 56.28

100 Freestyle:
3rd, Brendan Deveney '09, 47.11
4th, Curtis Hon '10, 47.82
8th, Alex Nanda '11, 49.64
17th, William Faulkner, 50.84

500 Freestyle:
3rd, Conor McAuliffe '10, 4:42.68
6th, Matt Mahoney '11, 4:48.37
13th, Alex Smachlo '11, 4:59.83
16th, Lorenzo Conte '12, 5:02.95

200 Freestyle relay "A":
3rd, 1:27.77 – Curtis Hon '10, Jimmy Brenner '10, (Consideration All-American)
Steven Lee-Kramer '09, Brendan Deveney '09 (School Record)

200 Freestyle relay "B":
1st, 1:31.69 – Will Falk-Wallace '10, Andrew Fraser '10,
Asa Harrington '09, William Faulkner '09

100 Backstroke:
7th, Conor Deveney '11, 54.59

16th, Lorenzo Conte '12, 57.22
18th, William Faulkner '09, 57.67
19th, Derrick Choi '12, 58.05

100 Breaststroke:
4th, Curtis Hon '10, 1:00.71
8th, Larry Zhou '09, 1:02.47
9th, Steven Lee-Kramer '09, 1:02.56
15th, Vincent Jow '09, 1:04.61

400 Freestyle Relay "A":
2nd, 3:11.52 – Matt Mahoney '11, Conor McAuliffe '10, (School Record)
Curtis Hon '10, Brendan Deveney '09 (Automatic All-American)

400 Freestyle Relay "B":
1st, 3:22.24 – Will Falk-Wallace '10, Tony Feng '09,
Asa Harrington '09, James Martino '09

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Andover Seeks to Avenge Last Year's Loss at Interschols with NEPSSA Championship

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Despite only having three Seniors on the team in 2008, Boys Varsity Swimming recorded a second-place finish at Interschols last season.

With a solid nucleus led by Co-Captains Brendan Deveney '09 and Steven Lee-Kramer '09, Andover hopes to make another run at the New England title.

Andover progressed tremendously throughout last season. After an early loss to Deerfield, the host team of the Championships, Andover identified its strengths and weaknesses.

When the teams matched-up again at Interschols, Andover came into the meet with a plan.

The team's key strategy, placing the largest number of swimmers in the evening finals, proved to be successful until the concluding events, when Deerfield took the lead.

Although Deerfield took first by just a few points, Andover came away satisfied with the runner-up trophy.

Of the many highlights of last year's season, Andover's impressive win against Exeter for the third year in a row definitely stands out.

Although Exeter took an early lead, Andover quickly caught up during the 200 freestyle and pulled ahead with a strong finish.

Andover ended the meet with 41 points, while Exeter earned just 36.

Although Andover lost Julian Azaret '08, an amazing asset to the team, mid-season, Captains Brenden Deveney '09 and Kevin Zhai '08 still led Andover to a very successful season.

Since last year's team had only three Seniors, the majority of the team consisted of underclassmen and Uppers.

Lee-Kramer and Deveney look to lead the way for Andover.

With their great performances in last year's relays, especially in the 200, where they helped break a school record, the two will undoubtedly continue to stand out.

Other swimmers to look out for this year include Curtis Hon '10, Matt Mahoney '11 and Jimmy Brenner '10.

Competing in four different events at New Englands, Hon managed to place in the top four in every one.

After breaking several records and placing fourth in the 200 free, sixth in the 500 free, and first in the 400 free relay at New Englands, Mahoney will be a force in the pool.

Brenner, who is currently participating in the Oxbow program, will come back to Andover this winter.

A few new additions to the team include Lorenzo Conte '12, Derrick Choi '12 and Calvin Aubrey '12.

After winter break, Andover will open up the league season with a meet at Choate.

Andover Beats Choate in Season-Opener

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Andover	**108**
Choate	**78**

The Andover Boys Swim team traveled to Choate for their opening meet of the 2009 season and came away with a dominating victory behind the exceptional times of Co-Captain Brendan Deveney '09 and Curtis Hon '10.

The meet began with the 200 Medley Relay, with a team consisting of Conor Deveney '11, Hon, Alex Smachlo '11 and Will Falk-Wallace '10, who all kicked off the beginning of Andover's successful win with a leading time of 1:56.29. A team made up of Ben Morris '11, Larry Zhou '09, Conor McAuliffe '10 and Jonation Leung '11 finished quickly with a time of 1:57.64.

Andover continued to lead in the next couple of events with Hon's domination of the 200 Free, Brendan Deveney's effortless first-place finish in the 200 Individual Medley and Morris's third place in the 200 Individual Medley.

Although Choate was able to take over Andover in the 50 Freestyle, Falk-Wallace still managed to capture a close second place with 26.43. Also in the event, Leung swiftly tagged along, clutching a triumphant third place.

As the diving event began, Andover led 40-22. Kyle Ofori '09 fought a tough battle against Choate's Tyler Makepeace. In the end, Ofori's personal best of 151.15 fell short by 209.05 points to Makepeace's score. Another Andover diver, Tommy Kramer '11, dove wonderfully and took third place with 117.80, an exceptional score considering his lack of previous experience with the sport.

The swimming events resumed shortly after, starting with the 100 Butterfly, where Co-Captain Deveney continued Andover's lead with a time of 1:00.23. Smachlo finished third in 1:02.57. Andover fell behind in the 100 Free, allowing Choate's Patrick Li to snatch first place, as well as two other Choate swimmers taking second and third.

Although Andover's lead was shortened to 62-48, the pressure put on the boys only helped them to achieve more. This proved true during the 400 Freestyle event.

McAuliffe embarked on a mission to beat the New England record, a time of 4:11:86. The record had been set back in 1996 and had not yet been challenged with a time nearly as close to it. McAuliffe began the event with a perfect pace for the first 300 meters, but in the end, he began to tire and only missed the record by about 3 seconds.

When asked about the most exciting event of the meet, Hon answered, "That's an easy one: undoubtedly when Conor almost broke the New England prep record."

Again, Choate was able to grab a first-place title in the 200 Relay, while a team made up of Brendan Deveney, James Martino '09, Leung and Falk-Wallace took a close second. Andover also managed to take third with a team of Tony Feng '09, Morris, Smachlo and Alex Nanda '11.

Brendan Deveney, Will Faulkner '09 and Hon all finished the last few events with impressive times. With the hard work and effort that the boys put into this meet, Andover won over Choate with a final score of 108-78.

The next meet is the first home opener of the season, where Andover will compete against Loomis Chaffee.

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Conor Deveney '11 completes the butterfly leg of the 200 Individual Medley.

Boys Swimming Easily Secures Victory Over Loomis Chaffee

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Andover	**103**
Loomis	**73**

The 200 Medley Relay team of Brendan Deveney '09, Randy Li '10, Jimmy Brenner '10 and William Faulkner '09 opened up Andover's meet against Loomis with a dominating win in 1:45.47. Andover swept first, second and third place in the relay and cruised to a convincing 103-73 win.

In the 200 Freestyle, Jon Leung '12 touched the wall first with almost two seconds to spare. Alex Smachlo '11 took second place and recorded his personal best time of 1:53:58.

Continuing with Andover's momentum, Conor Deveney '11 earned first place in the 200 Individual Medley.

Ben Morris '11 and Larry Zhou '09 rounded out the race's top three.

Brenner finished first in the last event in the meet's first half, the 50-yard freestyle.

Brenner, who recently returned to Andover from spending the last semester participating in the Oxbow art program, has started the season with terrific performances in the first two meets.

Andover concluded the first half with a large lead over Loomis.

However, Kyle Ofori '09 took second place with a score of 148.65.

Even though he didn't beat his personal best, Ofori amazed the crowd with several spectacular dives.

The second half of the meet opened with the 100 Butterfly, where Smachlo achieved an amazing time of 56.36. Deveney '11, and Andrew Fraser '10 quickly followed, placing second and third.

Faulkner, Leung, and Asa Harrington '09 swept the top three places in the following event, the 100 Freestyle.

Matt Mahoney '11 and Curtis Hon '10 battled for the first place in the 500 Freestyle.

Mahoney, however, took the lead in the last leg of the race and beat Hon by eighteen milliseconds.

At the end of the meet, Andover held a 103-76 lead, securing the team its second win on the season.

On Saturday, Andover will travel to Northfield Mount Hermon.

A match-up against current league power Deerfield looms large in the future for Andover.

On January 31, undefeated Deerfield, the defending New England champions, will travel to Andover in an important showdown.

Young Group of Swimmers Gains Experience in Dominating Win

By Kristen Faulkner
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	**119**
NMH	**47**

Despite the absence of 10 key swimmers, the Boys Swim Team effortlessly crushed its opponents at North Field Mt. Hermon last Saturday. The boys finished with a near perfect score of 119-47, their best score yet this season. With consistent wins in its past three meets, the team continues to surge through the season with an undefeated record.

The team showed spectacular results from the onset when the 200 free relay team finished first, second, and fourth place. The team of Derrick Choi '12, Randy Li '10, Alex Smachlo '11, and Alex Nanda '11 glided into a smooth victory with a time of 1:48.02. In second, the team of Frankie Robinson '11, Vincent Jow '09, Andrew Fraser '10 and Jon Leung '11 finished with a time of 1:50.70, barely outstripping its opponents by two-tenths of a second.

Andover dominated the 200 fFreestyle, seizing first, second, and third place. Conor Deveney '11 finished first with a time of 1:55.69, followed by a close race between Lorenzo Conte '11 and Asa Harrington '09 who finished with times of 1:59.65 and 1:59.69 respectively.

NMH captured two first places in the 200 IM and 50 freestyle, but Andover quickly rebounded with a first and second in the 100 Butterfly. Tony Feng '09 finished first place with a time of 58.18, and just barely out touched Andrew Fraser '10 who finished with a time of 58.39.

Continuing its lead, Andover grasped first, second, and third place in the 100 freestyle. Leung finished first with a time of 52.05, followed by Deveney with a time of 52.25 and Harrington with a time of 52.71.

NMH struck again and advanced its scoreboard with a victory in the 500 freestyle. Smachlo, Conte, and Cameron Phillips '11 closed in for second, third, and fourth place.

The 200 medley relay team of Harrington, Nanda, Feng and Leung sprinted to the finish to secure Andover's second relay win of the day. The team finished with a time of 1:36.29 and beat second place NMH by a half a second.

In the 100 backstroke, Choi seized the victory by a half a pool length and finished with a personal best of 58.93. Robinson and Calvin Aubrey '12 battled for second, and finished with times of 1:50.48 and 1:05.50 respectively.

Blue caps swept the finish line in the last individual race of the meet as Jow, Li and Austen Novis '11 grasped first, second and third place respectively. Jow finished with a time of 1:07, followed by Li with a 1:09.96 and Novis with a personal best of 1:12.18.

Andover concluded the meet on a high note as the 400 free relay team of Smachlo, Choi, Deveney and Harrington bolted to their first-place finish with a time of 3:37.07. In second place, the team of Nanda, Aubrey, Phillips and Conte finished with a time of 3:47.72, outswimming third place by ten seconds and securing Andover's victory.

Despite Andover's incredible win, Coach Hugon admits, "I like to think of dual meets as a dress rehearsal for the March championships. My focus was less on NMH, and more on giving opportunities to as many of our swimmers as possible to showcase what they could do in various events they don't usually get to swim. Several of our swimmers elected to stay home for a training session, and so we were able to enter in relays and individual events some of the folks who had yet to get a shot this season."

Ofori '09 Dives to Personal Best

By Katie Hess
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	107
Deerfield	79

With a win last Saturday against perennial powerhouse and defending New England Champions Deerfield Academy, Andover Boys Varsity Swimming kept their undefeated season alive.

Andover swimmers set out determined, and from the time they dove off the starting block for the first event, the boys began racking up the points.

The relay team of Co-Captain Brendan Deveney '09, Curtis Hon '10, Jimmy Brenner '10 and Co-Captain Steven Lee-Kramer '09 brought home first place in the 200 Medley Relay. The team of Derrick Choi '12, Larry Zhou '09, Alex Smachlo '11 and Asa Harrington '09 trailed shortly behind for third place.

In the 200 Freestyle, Andover's Conor McAuliffe '10 surpassed the Deerfield swimmer in the last few yards of the race, just barely pressing his fingers against the touch pad before his opponent to secure a time of

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A. LEVINE/ *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Ben Morris '11 takes a breath between strokes in a butterfly event.

BOYS SWIMMING

Andover Focuses on Interschols After Defeating Rival Deerfield

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1:48.75. Matt Mahoney '11 finished close behind.

In the 200 Individual Medley, Hon snagged third place despite competition from some of Deerfield's top swimmers.

Lee-Kramer acheived a personal best of 22.68 seconds in the 50 freestyle, placing second.

Deerfield put up a tough fight against Andover during the diving portion of the meet, but Kyle Ofori '09 held his own.

Diving gracefully and putting on a show for all spectators, Ofori achieved a personal best score of 175.90. Thomas Kramer '11 added to the point total, coming in third place overall.

McAuliffe and Brenner later took first and second place in the 100 Butterfly.

Andover continued to dominate in the 500 Freestyle, where Mahoney easily won first place, and Smachlo grabbed second place.

Deerfield triumped over Andover in the next event, winning the 200 Freestyle Relay.

However, their two point addition barely affected Andover's 83 point lead.

Deveney '09 next claimed a personal best time of 54.12 seconds in the 100 backstroke, while his brother, Conor Deveney '11, picked up second place.

The 100 Breastroke, the last individual event, featured Zhou achieving a personal best time of 1:03.60 while taking third place.

In the last event, one of Andover's best relay teams consisting of Mahoney, McAuliffe, Hon and Deveney '09, turned in an amazing time of 3:18.18.

Throughout the meet, Andover dominated over Deerfield, with the final score being 107-79.

Although this win may have seemed like a battle to spectators, James Martino '09 said, "Our goal is to win New Englands, not only to beat Deerfield."

On Saturday, Andover Boys Varsity Swimming will gather at its home pool to face the Hopkins School. Hopkins, having earned an 8-1 record this season, will prove to be a tough opponent for Andover.

M. DISCENZA/ *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Curtis Hon '10 takes a breath as he swims to one of his four first-place finishes.

BOYS SWIMMING & DIVING

Andover Suffers First Loss of Season

By Katie Hess
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	107
Hopkins	77
St. John's	96
Andover	94

Coming dangerously close to breaking the school record, the 200 Medley Relay team of Derrick Choi '09, Curtis Hon '10, Jimmy Brenner '10 and Asa Harrington '09 sped in to a finish with a time of 1:43.76, the highlight of the Hopkins meet.

This week, Co-Captains Brendan Deveney '09 and Steven Lee-Kramer '09 continued to lead Andover's Boys Varsity Swimming to an amazing season.

Although the team suffered a devastating loss to St. Johns Prep on Wednesday, they completely dominated Hopkins last Saturday.

Despite this setback, Andover was able to persevere and yet again dominate. The meet began with Andover in full control, winning the 200 Medley Relay in 1:43.76, with a team consisting of Choi, Hon, Brenner and Harrington.

Curtis Hon '10 then gave Hopkins a run for their money in the next event, the 200 Individual Medley, sweeping first place, the second of his total four wins in the meet.

The 50 Freestyle was the next event, where Brenner closed out the first half of the meet with a first place finish in a time of 22.97, while Will Falk-Wallace '10 finished third.

Diving began shortly after, where Hopkins completely dominated by winning first and second place. Despite Hopkins' dominance, a steadily improving Thomas Kramer '11 won third place. As the meet resumed, Andover led 47-31.

Hopkins was able to fight through and take the next couple of events. Despite the losses, a sure highlight of the meet was the 200 Freestyle Relay. The team, consisting of Hon, Brenner, Lee-Kramer and Deveney '09, came extremely close to breaking the school record, but just missed it and finished with an excellent time of 1:29.02.

Hon completed his sweep of events in the 100 Backstroke. Andover closed the meet on Saturday with a score of 107-77.

Andover's next opponent, St. John's Prep was a challenging one. St. John's has been a swimming powerhouse the last couple of years and given Andover a lot of trouble. Andover knew that if one team could break their undefeated streak, St. John's would be the team to do it.

Despite their best efforts, Andover was 40 points short at the end of the first half.

During the diving portion of the event, Kyle Ofori '09 came through with a fantastic performance, blowing away the competition while coming in with a personal best of 200 points. His victory provided a spark to the dull Andover performance.

After steadily coming back in the second half of the meet, it all came down to the 400 Freestyle Relay, where both teams were tied going into the last 50 yards of the event. With just ten yards left, St. John's began to pull away. Coming down to the last stroke, the St. John's swimmer gave one last push and finished one tenth of a second ahead of his Andover opponent.

Will Faulkner '09 said, "St. John's was the most talented team on our schedule, and therefore was the biggest testament to the team's strength this year. Though we started the meet very slowly, the team's ferocious comeback at the end of the meet lets everyone know that we are still one of the top teams in the Northeast."

As hard as they fought, the end of the meet concluded with St. John's ending Andover's undefeated season with a score of 96-94.

A.LEVINE/ *THE PHILLIPIAN*

From upper right corner to lower left corner, Alex Smachlo '11, Allie Hall '10, Tori Marvin '09, Jimmy Brenner '10 and Ben Morrs '11 all compete against Exeter in swimming's last meet of the regular season.

BOYS SWIMMING & DIVING

200 Free Relay Team Shatters School Record

ByKatie Hess
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	115
Exeter	71

This past Wednesday, Exeter was no match for the talented Andover Boys Varsity Swim Team.

Not only did Andover completely beat Exeter right off the starting blocks, but the team finished in record-breaking style to finish the meet.

In the highlight of the day, the relay team of Curtis Hon '10, Jimmy Brenner '10, Co-Captain Steven Lee-Kramer '09, and Co-Captain Brendan Deveney '09 set a new 200 Freestyle Relay record with a time of 1:28.19.

The record that was broken belonged to the relay team of 2006, which Lee-Kramer participated in as a freshman.

In the 200 Freestyle, the second event of the meet, Andover swept first, second, and third place, with Deveney '09 coming in first overall.

Andover didn't stop there, as the 400 Freestyle Relay team of Matt Mahoney '11, Conor McAuliffe '10, Hon and Deveney '09 almost broke another Andover/Exeter record, coming in first place and beating the Exeter relay team by a significant margin.

Throughout the first half of the meet, Andover held a strong lead over archrival Exeter.

The only times that Andover let up was during the 200 Individual Medley and 50 Freestyle, when Exeter beat Andover by slim margins.

When the diving event

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Deveney '09 and Lee-Kramer '09 Lead Team

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right at the start to prove itself worthy of Andover's competition.

The two male divers of Exeter's team twisted and spun through the air with considerable grace and exquisite form, scoring a very high amount of points for their first couple of dives.

However, Kyle Ofori '09 continued to fight and refused to let Exeter's performances affect his diving.

While Ofori put up a fight, Exeter came out on top, sweeping both first and second places, earning Exeter 11 extra points.

After the diving event concluded, the 100 Butterfly began, where Andover continued to prove its superiority, with Ben Morris '11 winning first place.

In the next event, the 100 Free, Deveney '09 and Lee-Kramer both swam hard, taking first and second place respectively.

In the 500 Freestyle, Exeter tried to gain ground on Andover.

Unfortunately for Exeter, they were just no match for McAuliffe and Mahoney, who won first and second place, respectively, in the 500 Freestyle.

The next event was the 200 Freestyle Relay, where the school record was broken for the first time in three years. Although Exeter managed to take first place in the 100 Backstroke, Hon and Larry Zhou '09 left Exeter struggling in their wake during the 100 Breaststroke.

The next event, the 400 Freestyle Relay, was where Andover once again challenged an Andover/Exeter record, and just missed it by 3:25 seconds.

This event concluded the meet, with Andover coming out on top over Exeter, 115-71.

Although this may have been the last Andover/Exeter and high school meet for the senior swimmers, they will be able to have their last swims at Interschols next weekend, where they hope to continue their dominance and finish their careers with a bang.

Sport: Girls Swimming

Year: 2009

Captain: Anne Glancy

Coach: Paul Murphy

Assistant Coaches: Catherine Carter, Margaret Phelps

Season Record

Won 6 Lost 1 Tied 0

First at Interschols

Letterwinners

Azaret, Lydia
Carrolo, Elizabeth
Casha, Salena
Faller, Theresa
Faller, Veronica
Faulkner, Kristen
Glancy, Anne
Hall, Alexandra
Kit, Tina
Kristofferson, Karen
Lanzo, Kerry
Levene, Abigail
Levene, Margaret
MacRae, Rebecca
Martin, Greta
McGrath, Hannah
Moroney, Alexandra
Moroney, Stephanie
Morss, Peyton
Reider, Juliana
Seman, Victoria, mgr
Simitch Warke, Eva
Timm, Emily
Torabi, Julia
Waldman, Alanna
Zimmerling, Aubrey

PHILLIPS ACADEMY- ANDOVER
GIRLS' VARSITY SWIM
2008-2009

Name	Yr	Hometown
Azaret, Lydia	2012	North Andover, MA
Carrolo, Elizabeth	2011	Andover, MA
Casha, Salena	2009	Andover, MA
Faller, Theresa	2011	North Reading, MA
Faller, Veronica	2009	North Reading, MA
Faulkner, Kristen	2011	Homer, AK
Glancy, Anne	2009	Andover, MA
Hall, Alexandra	2010	Andover, MA
Johnson, Emily	2010	Reading, MA
Kit, Tina	2009	Lowell, MA
Kristofferson, Karen	2009	Emerald Hills, CA
Lanzo, Kerry	2011	Towson, MD
Levene, Abigail	2009	Dublin, NH
Levene, Margaret	2012	Dublin, NH
MacRae, Kendall	2011	Sherborn, MA
MacRae, Rebecca	2009	Sherborn, MA
Martin, Greta	2009	Boxford, MA
McGrath, Hannah	2011	Bradford, MA
Moroney, Alexandra	2011	Manchester, MA
Moroney, Stephanie	2009	Manchester, MA
Morss, Peyton	2010	Wayland, MA
Reider, Juliana	2010	Hinsdale, IL
Simitch Warke, Eva	2009	Freeville, NY
Timm, Emily	2011	Bloomfield Village, MI
Torabi, Julia	2012	North Andover, MA
Waldman, Alanna	2010	Swampscott, MA
Zimmerling, Aubrey	2009	Lakewood, CO

COACHES: PAUL MURPHY
CATHERINE CARTER, MARGARET PHELPS

Captain: Anne Glancy

Managers: Victoria Seman, Tina Kit
& Jennifer Morgan

Schedule and Record

Record: 6/1/0

DATE/TIME	OPPONENT	H/A	TYPE	SCORE
12/5 @ 5:00 PM	Blue/White	H	Scrimmage	
1/10 @ 2:00 PM	Choate Rosemary Hall		Game	W 100-86
1/17 @ 3:00 PM	Loomis Chaffee School	H	Game	W 105-81
1/24 @ 3:45 PM	Northfield Mount Herman		Game	W 122-48
1/31 @ 2:15 PM	Deerfield Academy	H	Game	W 99.5-81.5
2/7 @ 1:00 PM	Hopkins School	H	Game	W 116-69
2/25 @ 3:30 PM	Phillips Exeter Academy	H	Game	L 91.5-94.5
3/8 @ 9:00 AM	New England Championships		Championship	W 347.5

Choate

1/10/2009

The 2009 Girls Varsity Swimming & Diving season began with a bang today when the swimming girls traveled to Choate for their first meet of the season. A strong, reigning New England Championship team awaited the Big Blue and gave them a day of great swims and outstanding hospitality. In the end, though, the Big Blue had just a bit more depth and took the day 100-86. Highlights are below; complete results will be posted at www.andoveraquatics.net and on the league website: www.nepssa.org

Next Week: The Big Blue hosts the Pelicans from Loomis at 3:00pm.

200 Medley Relay
2nd: Theresa Faller '11, Salena Casha '09 , Annie Glancy '09 , Lexi Moroney '11 2:07.30
3rd: Lydia Azaret '12, Allie Hall '10, Julia Torabi '12, Mai Kristofferson '09 2:13.12

200 Free
3rd: Molly Levene '12 2:19.55
4th: Elizabeth Carrolo '12 2:21.47
5th: Casha 2:21.57

200 IM
2nd: Lydia Azaret '12 (No Andover) 2:37.61
3rd Glancy 2:37.98
5th Emily Timm '11 2:43.58

50 Free
2nd Peyton Morss '10 29.18
3rd Moroney 29.58
5th Alanna Waldman '10 29.83

Diving
1st Kendall MacRae '11 234.20 pts
2nd Emily Johnson '10 177.00 pts
4th Tori Marvin 142.95 pts

100 fly
2nd Glancy 1:;10.36
4th Greta Martin '09 1:14.66
6th Hannah McGrath '11 1:15.20

100 free

1st Morss 1:03.00

3rd Moroney 1:05.49

5th Waldman 1:06.91

400 free

1st Allie Hall '10 4:37.10

4th Molly Levene 4:57.61

5th Elizabeth Carrolo 5:01.27

200 Free Relay

1st Moroney, Waldman, Kristofferson, Morss 1:56.89

2nd TFaller, Julia Torabi '12, Reider, Timm 1:57.30

100 bk

2nd Faller 1:10.67

3rd Azaret 1:14.17

4th Kerry Lanzo '11 1:14.68

100 Brst

2nd Casha 1:17.11

3rd Hall 1:19.46

5th Torabi 1:24.16

400 free relay

2nd: Glancy, Morss, Faller, Casha 4:21.36

3rd: Lanzo, Torabi, Hall, Timm 4:25.04

Loomis

1/17/2009

200 MR

TFaller, Casha, Torabi, Morss

Azaret, Hall, Martin, Timm

VFaller, Zimmerling, McGrath, SMoroney

200F

Glancy, MLevene, Alevene

200 IM
Casha, Azaret, TFaller

50f
Morss, LMoroney, Reider

100fly
Glancy, Martin, McGrath

100 f
Morss, Azaret, Torabi

500 F
Hall, MLevene, Carrolo

200FR
Timm, Reider, LMoroney, Morss
Kristoff, SMoroney, Zimmerling, Torabi
MacRae, Kit, ALevene, McGrath

100 BK
TFaller, Lanzo, VFaller

100 Brst
Casha, MacRae, Zimmerling

400 FR
Azaret, T.Faller, Casha, LMoroney
Reider, Hall, MLevene, Glancy
SMoroney, Lanzo, Kit, Carrolo

NMH
1/24/2009

The Andover Swimming Girls traveled to Northfield, MA to take on the NMH Boars today. An ever-strengthening Andover team mixed up its lineup a bit for this meet and still emerged victorious with a score of 122-48.

[schedule note: next week's meet against Deerfield is at 2:15pm at the Andover pool]

Placing first in all but the 200 IM and the 100 breast, the team had a solid day.

In the 200 medley, the team of Teri Faller '11, Salena Casha '09, Annie Glancy '09 and Peyton Morss '10 won with a time of 1:56.16.

In the 200 Free, Andover went 1-2-3 with Lexi Moroney '11, Elizabeth Carrolo '11 and Stephanie Moroney '09.

In the 200 IM, a strong second place was marked by Molly Levene '12 with a time of 2:22.90.

Morss and Alanna Waldman '10 went 1-2 in the 50 with times of 26.25 and 26.51

Another 1-2-3 in the 100 fly came with Casha, Waldman and Greta Martin '09.

Lexi Moroney had the star swim of the day with a time of 56.90 in the 100 free to tie her season best time of last season!

The 500 saw some new swimmers in Morss, Faller and veteran Abby Levene '09.

A strong first place finish in the 200 free relay with the team of Casha, Glancy, Waldman and Kristofferson was captured with a time of 1:47.65

Julia Torabi '12 captured first in the 100 back with a time of 1:04.92 while Annie Glancy took a strong second in the 100 breast with a time of 1:16.23.

The Big Blue is undefeated at this point in the season with some its biggest meets ahead of them: Deerfield, Hopkins and Exeter. The season is shaping up as one of the best!

Complete results at www.andoveraquatics.net or www.nepssa.org

Deerfield

1/31/2009

The Andover Swimming and Diving team hosted the Big Green from Deerfield today. In a rivalry that dates back to the coeducation of Deerfield in 1989, the Big Blue defeated the Big Green in a day of races that saw season bests on both teams.

A 1-2 finish in the Medley Relay began the afternoon. The team of Teri Faller '11, Allie Hall '10, Annie Glancy '09 and Alanna Waldman '10 powered to first with a time of 1:56.71.

A 2-3-5 finish in the 200 Free was led by Molly Levene '12 with a time of 2:05.08.

1-3-5 was next in the 200 IM with a win for Glancy at 2:20.39.

IN the 50 Free, we settled for a 2-4-5 with Peyton Morss '10 leading the pack at 25.66 behind a strong Deerfield sprinter.

The diving event saw a 1-2-5 finish for Kendall MacRae '11, Emily Johnson '10 and Whitney Glick '10.

A 1-2-3 finish in the 100 fly was a highlight of the day for Glancy, Julia Torabi '12 and Waldman.

In the 100 Free, Morss, Lexi Moroney '11 and Elizabeth Carrolo '11 finished 2-3-5.

A 1-2-4 in the 500 was great to see from Hall, Kristen Faulkner '11 and Steph Moroney '09.

In the 200 Free Relay, the team of Waldman, Molly Levene, Lexi Moroney and Morss clocked in at 1:43.05 for a first place.

A second place finish by Teri Faller was helped by a 3rd for Eva Simitch Warke '09 and sister Veronica Faller '09.

The breaststroke, though swam exhibition, saw some great times for Emily Timm (1:14.64), Aubrey Zimmerling (1:16.96) and Greta Martin (1:19.18).

The final relay was awesome with a time of 3:51.46 (Glancy, T. Faller, L. Moroney, Morss)

The Big Blue sits on a record of 4-0-0. Next meet is Saturday, February 7 at home versus Hopkins at 1:00pm.
Complete Results may be seen at www.andoveraquatics.net or www.nepssa.org

Hopkins
2/7/2009

The Big Blue played host to the Hopkins Hilltoppers today. The Hopkins team traveled the BIG three hours to take on the Blue in a meet that has become a great meet for both teams over the years. Today, the Big Blue was victorious with a score of 116-69.

A surprise 1-2 finish in the Medley Relay got things off to a great start for the Blue. The team of Teri Faller '11, Allie Hall '10, Annie Glancy '09 and Peyton Morss '10 clocked a strong time of 1:55.79 to win the day. A close second was posted by Eva Simitch Warke '09, Lydia Azaret '12, Julia Torabi '12 and Lexi Moroney '11 with a time of 2:00.14 – just .77 away from the 3rd place team.

In the 200 Free, Hopkins came back and posted a 1-2-5 finish ahead of 3rd place finisher Kristen Faulkner '11 at 2:03.31.

The 200 IM showed a bit more success with Torabi taking 2nd with a time of 2:17.45.

In the 50 free, the Big Blue had a nice surprise in a 1-2-5 finish of Alanna Waldman '10, Lexi Moroney '11 and Molly Levene '12.

In the diving, Emily Johnson '10 took top honors with a score of 198.25 while Whitney Glick '11 too second with 181.45.

The 100 fly was huge with a 1-2-4 finish by Glancy, Torabi and Greta Martin '09.

In the 100 free, Morss took top honors with a time of 55.95 while Hopkins took 2-3- and 5.

In the 500, Allie Hall '10 took the top prize by a slim margin of .04 to win the event with a time of 5:13.72. Faulkner was close behind at 3rd and Levene covered 4th.

The 200 free relay saw a close race, but the Andover team came out on top. The team of Levene, Kristofferson, Waldman and Morss came in with a time of 1:44.38.

The 100 back also saw a first place finish in Teri Faller. Her time of 1:03.68 followed by Simitch Warke's time of 1:05.49 captured first and second respectively.

The 100 Breast was also a 1-2 finish with Hall and newcomer Emily Timm '11 while Tina Kit finished 4th.

By the final relay, the team had used up all energy available and they finished second with a time of 3:47.50 (Moroney, Faulkner, Levene and Morss).

The team is now 5-0-0. We host Exeter on Wednesday, February 25.

Exeter

2/25/2009

The Big Blue hosted the Big Red today in the Andover pool for the 36th meeting of these two competitors. The Blue rallied most of the meet, but was upset in the final relay of the day.

Highlights included:
The fastest 200 Medley Relay we have swum to date: 1:53.18 for the team of Teri Faller '11, Salena Casha '09, Annie Glancy '09 and Alanna Waldman '10.

In the 200 Free, we saw the resurgence of Kristen Faulkner '11 with a time of 2:01.67 followed closely by Allie Hall '10 in 2:02.15.

Casha took top spot in the 200 IM with a time of 2:12.10 while Julia Torabi '12 took third with 2:17.48.

The team went 2-3-4 in the 50 free with Peyton Morss '10, Waldman and Lexi Moroney '11.

Kendall MacRae '11 posted a new pool record in diving with a top place score of 250.30 – just a hair away from the 1985 school record of 251.50. Emily Johnson '10 took second with 237 points.

The 100 fly brought a second place finish for Glancy with a time of 1:01.75.

Faller and Morss and Moroney took 2-3-5 in the 100 free while Allie Hall took first in the 500 followed by Faulkner in third.

A 1-3 finish in the 200 Free Relay was a huge hit for the day. The team of Moroney, Waldman, Molly Levene '11 and Morss came in a 1:43.45 while Julianna Reider '10, Emily Timm '11, Mai Kristofferson '09 and Kristen Faulkner came in at 1:45.12.

A 3-5 finish in the 100 back followed by a 2-4-5 finish in the breaststroke set up a score of 87.5 to 84.5 going into the final relay. The big blue needed just 2-3 to win.

Second place was posted by Faulkner, Moroney, Casha and Morss with a time of 3:45.26....but the third place just did not happen.

The girls are ready to take on the league in the New England Championships on Sunday March 8 at The Hotchkiss School. It appears to be setting up for a battle of the blue and the red one more time!

NE Championship

3/8/2009

For the 8th time in its 36 year history, the Andover girls' varsity swimming and diving team ascended to the highest peak in New England Swimming & Diving, winning the 2009 New England Championship.

Having lost only to Exeter during the dual meet season, the Big Blue was positioned to be a real contender for the top crown. But the Big Red posted some amazing times in the seedings and the Big Blue needed to have a HOT day in order to rise about the red. And hot they were.

In the 200 Medley Relay, the A team of Teri Faller '11, Salena Casha '09, Annie Glancy '09 and Alanna Waldman '10 took third with a time of 1:51.21. In the B relays: Kerry Lanzo '11, Tina Kit '09, Hannah McGrath '11 and Steph Moroney '09 came in 5th with a time of 2:04.06.

The 200 Free saw Kristen Faulkner '11 place 8th (1:59.03), Molly Levene '12 place 10th (2:00.54), Teri Faller in 13th (2:01.46) and Elizabeth Carrolo place 16th (2:02.44).

In the 200 IM, Casha placed second (2:11.22), Julia Torabi '12 placed 7th (2:14.16), Annie Glancy '09 in 11th (2:16.24) and Lydia Azaret '12 in 18th (2:20.44).

The 50 was very strong with Peyton Morss '10 placing 5th (25.11), Lexi Moroney '11 placing 8th (25.87), Alanna Waldman '10 in 12th (25.72) and Mai Kristofferson '09 placing 16th with a time of 26.37.

Diving brought big points with Kendall MacRae '11 in second with a score of 387.25, Emily Johnson '10 in 5th place with 346.95 points and Whitney Glick '11 in 16th place with 247.80 points.

Going into the 100 fly, The Big Blue: 153. The Red: 112 – up by 41!

In the 100 fly, we took a bit of a hit with only Glancy in 5th (1:00.87) and Greta Martin '09 in 14th with 1:03.14. Azaret took 27th with 1:06.22 and McGrath took 33rd with 1:07.44.

In the 100 free, we came back a bit with Morss in 7th (55.03), L. Moroney in 15th (56.18) and Waldman in 16th (56.19). Kristofferson finished 23rd (57.28).

After the 100 free, Andover was only up by 9 points!

In the 500, big time drops brought big points. Hall came in second with a 5:09.46; Faulkner in 6th with 5:14.33; Molly Levene in 13th with 5:25.27; Abby Levene '09 in 23rd with 5:38.16.

The 200 Free Relay brought one of the biggest boosts of the night – a first place finish! Lexi Moroney, Molly Levene, Waldman and Morss went 1:41.25 to bring home 40 huge points for the Big Blue. Second and third places were 1:41.61 and 1:41.65 respectively! The B relay finished 3rd – Julianna Reider '10, Abby Levene, Aubrey Zimmerling '09 and Emily Timm '11 went 1:47.63.

After the relay, Andover had a solid lead of 259 to 233.5. Up by almost 27.

The 100 back set us BACK a bit against the Big Red backstrokers. Teri Faller went 1:01.70 for 4th , Torabi went 1:02.86 for 7th and Eva Simitch Warke '09 placed 12th with 1:04.06. Veronica Faller '09 was the first alternate at 17th place with a time of 1:04.54.

At this time, Andover was only 4 points ahead of Exeter!

The breaststroke event gave a glimmer of light with Casha in 5th with 1:08.66 and Hall in 6th with 1:10.05. Emily Timm was 17th with 1:12.60 and Zimmerling was 21st with 1:13.82.

Andover was now 15 points ahead of Exeter. If Exeter won the relay, the Andover team had to place 6th or better to win the meet!

4th place was the charm today! The team of Teri Faller, Faulkner, Casha and Morss went 3:39.83 to seal the deal.

Complete results are located at the league's website www.nepssa.org and on Andover's own aquatics site: www.andoveraquatics.net

Top teams:

Andover 347.5
Exeter 342.5
Choate 238
Loomis 176.5
Deerfield 159

PA Defeats Defending NE Champions Choate

By Alanna Waldman
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	100
Choate	82

In a striking display of the depth of the Andover swim team, both of Andover's relay teams in the 200-meter freestyle relay beat out Choate's best relay team to earn the first 1-2 finish in the relay in years.

After a long history of losing to Choate, Andover came out of their most recent meet on top with a score of 100-82.

In past years, the scores of the Andover-Choate meets have been agonizingly close, with Andover losing by only a small margin in each meet. This year, Andover swimmers came to Choate ready to swim to win.

Accustomed to practicing in a 25-yard pool, the Andover team was unfamiliar with Choate's 25-meter pool. This meant that all the races were slightly longer and would require more endurance in the pool.

The girls demonstrated their endurance in the first race of the day, the 200-medley relay. Although Choate narrowly won the relay, Andover placed second and third right behind them.

The second-place relay team included Theresa Faller '11 swimming the backstroke leg, Salena Casha '09 swimming the breaststroke leg, Annie Glancy '09 swimming the butterfly leg and Lexi Moroney '11 swimming the freestyle.

Following the medley relay was the 200-meter individual medley event. Once again, Choate won first place, but Annie Glancy '09 claimed second place close behind. The 200-meter freestyle event came next, with swimmers Casha, Elizabeth Carollo '11 and Molly Levene '12 swimming to represent Andover. All three girls swam the slightly longer event very well.

Peyton Morss '10 locked in first place for the 50-meter freestyle, winning by a full second, a wide margin in such a short race. Close behind for Andover was Lexi Moroney, who placed third.

Divers Kendall MacRae '11 and Captain Emily Johnson '10 dove impressively, finishing first and second, respectively. Diving helped Andover gain a two-point lead going into the second half.

To start off the second half of the meet after the diving, Glancy, Greta Martin '09 and Hannah McGrath '11 all swam the 100-meter butterfly. Shortly after, Morss secured first place again, this time in the 100-meter freestyle with a time of 1:03. Lexi Moroney, Juliana Reider '10 and Alanna Waldman '10 swam the event alongside her.

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Morss Wins 50 & 100 Free

1-2 Finish in 200 F.R. Secures Victory

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Instead of swimming the usual 500 freestyle, the participants in the event swam 400 meters. Throughout the entire race Ali Hall '10 led the way and touched first by more than a body length.

Because relays are worth more points than the individual events, Coach Paul Murphy knew that in order to win the meet, the relay teams needed to be perfect. In the 200-meter freestyle relay, Andover's A and B relay teams remained tied with Choate's A relay for the entire race.

When it came to the last leg, both Andover teams touched before Choate, ending with an incredible 1-2 finish. "I cannot remember the last time that we had a first and second finish in a relay," said Coach Murphy enthusiastically. The two relays were only .41 seconds apart. The A relay consisted of Lexi Moroney, Waldman, Mai Kristofferson '09, and Morss, while the B team included Faller '11, Julia Torabi '12, Reider and Emily Timm '11.

After the relay, Torabi, Casha and Hall swam the 100 breaststroke, followed by a close race in the 100-meter backstroke, where Faller touched second.

The meet ended with the 400-meter freestyle relay, and although Andover's relay team placed second, the entire team was both elated and relieved to finally gain a win over a deep and talented Choate team.

After tallying up the scores, the girls knew that their hard work had paid off, allowing them to beat Choate for the first time in three years.

Girls Swimming Beats Loomis for First Time in Three Years at Home

By Alanna Waldman
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	**105**
Loomis	**81**

The Girls Varsity Swim team kept its undefeated streak alive by beating perennial powerhouse Loomis Chaffee for the first time in three years, 105-81.

Andover started the first home meet of the season strong, easily winning the 200 Medley Relay. The team of Theresa Faller '11, Salena Casha '09, Julia Torabi '12 and Peyton Morss '10 finished with a time of 1:54.99, more than a second ahead of the second-place Loomis relay team. Andover also took third and fifth place in the same event.

Molly Levene '12, Captain Annie Glancy '09 and Elizabeth Carrolo '11 swam the 200 Freestyle following the relay, with Levene placing second overall in 2.05.48.

After the 200 Freestyle, Andover racked up the points in the 200 Individual Medley, with Casha coming in second in 2.12.62, Azaret '12 placing third with a time of 2.23.25, and Faller '11 following closely behind in fourth with a time of 2.24.69. Morss finished close behind a Loomis swimmer in the 50-yard Freestyle to finish second in 26.07. Lexi Moroney '11 and Juliana Reider '10 placed fourth and fifth with times of 26.67 and 27.28, respectively.

In the next event, the 100 Butterfly, Glancy won by a landslide, beating out the Loomis swimmer, who came in second, behind by four seconds with a time of 1.01.69.

In a nail biter, Morss swam an excellent 100 Freestyle against her Loomis opponent. Unfortunately, Morss was narrowly beat out by her competitor and finished second with a time of 56.75.

Allie Hall '10, swam an amazing race and won the 500 Freestyle by 20 seconds, finishing with a time of 5.17.33. Levene also swam a fantastic race and placed second behind Hall.

Andover placed first, fourth, and fifth in the 200 Freestyle Relay. The winning team consisted of Emily Timm '11, Reider, Moroney '11, and Morss. Throughout the race, the Loomis squad was hot on Andover's tail, but Andover out-touched the opposition by .13 of a second to win in 1.44.60. Faller '11 raced both Kerry Lanzo '11 and her sister Veronica Faller '09 in the 100 Backstroke. Faller '11 finished first in 1:04.06.

Casha, Zimmerling, and MacRae swam the 100 Breaststroke in the last individual event of the day. Casha placed first with a time of 1.08.49, beating out the second placeholder by over two seconds.

Even though the 400 Freestyle Relay was the final event of the day, it was by far the most exciting race. Andover knew it would be close and both the A relays from Loomis and Andover stayed even throughout each leg. Glancy, Faller '11, Casha, and Moroney '11 led the team to a close second place finish with a time of 3.50.78.

The team ended the day with a solid victory, beating Loomis by 24 points.

A. LEVINE *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Captain Annie Glancy '09 sprints to finish the 100 Butterfly, winning by over 4 seconds.

Girls Swimming Cruises to Victory; Morss '10 Leads Way With Three Wins

By Alanna Waldman
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

At NMH this Saturday, Andover Girls Swimming dominated the pool, winning 122-48.

The first event of the day was the 200 Medley Relay with the Andover teams placing first, third and fourth. Theresa Faller '11, Salena Casha '09, Captain Annie Glancy '09 and Peyton Morss '09 finished in 1:56.16, beating out the second place NMH team by four seconds.

Next up for Andover was the 200 Yard Freestyle. Lexi Moroney '11 placed first with a time of 2:05.60, despite not usually racing in the event. Moroney was followed by Elizabeth Carrolo '11 and Stephanie Moroney '09, who came in second and third, respectively.

Molly Levene '12, Aubrey Zimmerling '09 and Greta Martin '09 took second, third and fourth in the 200 Yard Individual Medley. Levene '12 finished with a time of 2:22.90.

In the 50 Yard Freestyle, Morss took first while Alanna Waldman '10 placed second and Mai Kristofferson '09 placed fourth.

After a short 10-minute break made possible by the fact that there was no diving competition, Casha won the 100 Yard Butterfly with a time of 1:02.52, followed by Waldman and Martin placing second and third.

Moroney '11 won her second race of the day in the 100 Yard Freestyle with Julia Torabi '12 finishing the race right behind her in second place.

Morss swam the 500 Yard Freestyle in the next event. Despite not having participated in this race the entire season, normally competing in the sprinting events, Morss won in a time of 5:33.48. Faller '11 and Abby Levene '09 followed close behind, claiming second and third. Following the 500 Yard Freestyle, Andover swimmers swam the 200 Yard Freestyle relay. Andover relay teams turned in an impressive performance by placing first, third and fourth. The winning team, swimming with a time of 1:47.65, was composed of Casha, Glancy, Waldman and Kristofferson.

After that, Torabi, Emily Timm '11, and Eva Simitch-Warke '09 swam the 100 Yard Backstroke. Torabi won in a time of 1:04.92, while Simitch-Warke and Timm took third and fourth, respectively.

In the last individual event of the day, the 100 Yard Breaststroke, Glancy placed second, Lydia Azaret '12 placed fourth, and Tina Kit '09 placed fifth.

Andover wrapped up the day with the 400 Yard Freestyle relay, winning the event as well as taking third and fourth. The team of Faller, Morss, Glancy and Casha swam the race in 3:55.34.

After the meet, Coach Paul Murphy said, "I was really happy with the way the girls swam at NMH considering many of them swam events that are not usually on their agenda. I cannot wait to see how the girls perform next weekend against Deerfield. This is the core of our season and the girls have been working hard."

A. LEVINE/ *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Julia Torabi '12 focuses on the upcoming turn in a butterfly event.

GIRLS SWIMMING

MacRae '11 and Johnson '10 Take First and Second Place in Diving

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with a time of 2.26.94.

Peyton Morss '10, swimming the 50 Freestyle, touched only hundredths of a second behind a Deerfield swimmer to receive second place, but recorded a personal best 25.66 seconds.

Both Mai Kristofferson '09 and Kerry Lanzo '11 swam well and placed fourth and fifth, respectively.

With a break from swimming, the diving competition began with Kendall MacRae '11, Emily Johnson '10 and Whitney Glick '11 diving for Andover. After performing six dives, MacRae placed first with 230.75 points, Johnson second with 197.45 points and Glick fifth with 160.1 points.

Andover also claimed the top three spots in the 100 Butterfly, as Glancy took first with a time of 102.38, Julia Torabi '12 second and Waldman third.

In the 100 Freestyle, Morss took second with a time of 56.55. The race was close between Morss and Pielock, the Deerfield opponent who won the event, but the finish only motivated Morss further.

"I know that if I continue to work hard in practice, I can lower my 100 Free time by interscholastics and hopefully beat Pielock," Morss said.

Solid Performances Lead Team to Victory

By Alanna Waldman
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	99.5
Deerfield	81.5

In the first event of Andover's match-up against Deerfield last Saturday, Theresa Faller '11, Allie Hall '10, Captain Annie Glancy '09 and Alanna Waldman '10 won the 200 Medley by a dominating six seconds in a time of 1.56.71, setting the pace for the meet as Andover easily swam away with an overall 99.5-81.5 victory.

The contest with Deerfield was the fourth meet of the season for Andover, and the win helped the team cruise to a perfect 4-0 record.

Molly Levene '12, Emily Timm '11 and Lexi Moroney '11 swam a rigorous race in the 200 Freestyle following the opening event, and Levene finished strong with a time of 2.05.08 to finish second place.

The meet was full of personal bests for Andover, showing the consistent improvements made by individual swimmers so far this season. In the 200 Individual Medley, Glancy locked first place with a personal best of 2.20.39. Tina Kit '09 also swam a personal best

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Andover Preserves Perfect Season; Captain Glancy '09 Leads Team

By Alanna Waldman
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	**119**
Exeter	**69**

In Andover's meet against Hopkins this Saturday, Allie Hall '10 encountered serious competition in the 500 Freestyle.

Hall and her Hopkins opponent were perfectly aligned going into the final turn. After falling behind early in the final leg, Hall pushed forward in an impressive finish to take first place by a slim 0.4 seconds.

The race exemplified the success that Andover encountered throughout the meet, beating the Hopkins team 116-69 to preserve its undefeated record this season.

"I am so ecstatic about our team this year," said Juliana Reider '10 after the meet. "We run so deep and demonstrate so much talent that I am not surprised that we are still undefeated."

To begin the race, the Andover 200 Medley Relay team started out strong, finishing first in 1.55.75 with the swimming of Theresa Faller '11, Hall, Captain Annie Glancy '09, and Peyton Morss '10.

Julia Torabi '12 swam an outstanding race in the 200 Individual Medley, placing second in 2.17.45. This was Torabi's first chance at the event this year, and she barely out-touched her Hopkins opponent for the second place position by just .02 seconds. Glancy and Aubrey Zimmerling '09 placed fourth and sixth in the same event, respectively.

With the score tied, Alanna Waldman '10 and Lexi Moroney '11 helped Andover pull ahead for the meet, taking a first and second finish in the 50 Freestyle.

The Andover divers performed well against Hopkins and secured the first, second, and fourth place positions. Emily Johnson '10 placed first, scoring 198.25, and Whitney Glick '11 and Victory Marvin '09 placed second and fourth, respectively.

After comparing Andover and Hopkins times before the meet, Coach Paul Murphy was nervous about the outcome. "I was unsure whether we would win because when I compared the times and scored a hypothetical meet, we lost by a fair margin," he said.

He continued,"but the girls pulled through today and I think everyone had a good swimming day, leading us to victory."

For the second week in a row, Glancy and Torabi took first and second in the 100 Butterfly with times of 1.01.90 and 1.04.65. Greta Martin '09 also swam the event and placed fourth in 1.05.44.

Beating out the second place finisher by over a full second, Morss won the 100 Freestyle in 55.95, dropping her time from last week. Moroney '11 and Mai Kristofferson '09 secured fourth and sixth place, adding more points to the Andover score.

Even after swimming at districts that same morning, Faller '11 and Veronica Faller '09 swam the 100 Backstroke along with Eva Simitch Warke '09. Faller '11 came in first with a time of 1.03.68 while Simitch Warke '09 came in second and Faller '09 came in fifth.

Next, Andover will swim against Exeter. Many girls on the team anticipate that this will be the most challenging and meaningful meet of the regular season.

A. LEVINE, *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Allie Hall '10 celebrates after taking first in the 500 Freestyle.

A. LEVINE/ *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Salena Casha '09 takes a breath during the breastroke leg of the 200 Medley Relay.

GIRLS SWIMMING

Valiant Efforts and Fast Times of Swimmers Come Up Short

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amazing meet, taking first, second and fourth places. Kendall MacRae '11 had a score of 250.30, taking first place and earning a new pool record. MacRae missed the school record by just 1.2 points, which was set in 1985.

Captain Emily Johnson '10 earned second with 237.00 points and Whitney Glick '11 placed fourth with 206.95.

In the fourth event of the day, Andover took the lead for the first time as Morss, Alanna Waldman '10, and Moroney took second, third and fourth places in the 50 Freestyle with times of 25.74, 25.96, and 26.06, respectively.

With Andover in the overall lead, Captain Annie Glancy '09 placed second to an Exeter opponent in the 100 Butterfly with a time of 1.01.75 while Greta Martin '09 received her best time of the season with 1.03.60.

Later in the meet, Allie Hall '10 won the 500 Freestyle by over four seconds in a time of 5.15. 96. Faulkner placed third, out-touching by Exeter by only milliseconds, and Molly Levene '12 placed sixth.

The 200 Freestyle team of Moroney '11, Waldman, Levene '12, and Morss also won the event.

Exeter, however, refused to go away. With the lead dwindled down to three points, Exeter secured the victory in the 200 Freestyle, the last event.

Swimming Suffers First Loss in Final Event

By Alanna Waldman
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Exeter	94
Andover	91

Before the final event of the day, the 400 Freestyle, Andover was beating arch-rival Exeter by only 3 points, 87-84. In order for Andover to win the meet and preserve its undefeated season, they had to place at least second and third place in the relay.

With second, fourth, and fifth finishes, however, Andover was unable to fight off the Exeter swimmers in a painfully close 94-91 loss.

With this pressure on the relay teams, the girls knew they had to swim with every bit of energy they had left. As the swimmers took off for the last event of the day, Exeter took the immediate lead, with Andover's A relay right behind.

After an epic battle for third place, Exeter just out-touched Andover's B team to win the match. Exeter finished the relay first and third, while the Andover relay team of Kristen Faulkner '11, Lexi Moroney '11, Salena Casha '09, and Peyton Morss '10 took second.

The meet represented the two best girls swim teams in the league, as both Andover and Exeter came into Wednesday with undefeated season records. The rivals will compete again next weekend at Interschols, in what is sure to be another exciting match-up.

"Exeter got us today," said Faulkner. "But we are going to come back stronger and better than ever and get those points back at Interschols."

Andover diving had an

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Sport: Boys Indoor Track

Year: 2009

Captain: Mide Babatunde

Coaches: Corbin Lang, Lou Bernieri

Assistant Coaches: Pat Farrell, David Callum, Christine Marshall, Yasmine Allen, Tim McCall, Vuyelwa Maqubela

Season Record

Won 3 Lost 1 Tied 0

Letterwinners

Adams, Malin
Babatunde, Olamide
Bastable, Conrad
Boyd, Zachary
Discenza, Michael
Du, Alexander
Gordon, Stefan
Hamilton, James
Hetzler, Peter
Higgins, Matthew
Kang, Madison
Kruy, Joseph
Kwok, Geoffrey
Ma, Michael
McKenna, John
Morlani, Anthony
Muran, William
Narayan, Ram
Potter, Chase
Shaw, Russell
Vardaro, Robert
Walker, Jack
Wang, Michael
Zhang, Edward

PHILLIPS ACADEMY- ANDOVER
BOYS' VARSITY TRACK
2008-2009

Name	Yr	Hometown
Adams, Malin R	2009	Concord, MA
Austin, Daniel	2010	Franklin, TN
Babatunde, Olamide	2009	Portsmouth, NH
Bastable, Conrad	2009	Andover, MA
Boyd, Zachary	2010	Ft. Bragg, NC
Brzezinski, Tomek	2010	Lynnfield, MA
Cahill, James	2010	North Hampton, NH
Cameron, Christopher	2011	Reading, MA
Discenza, Michael	2009	Burlington, CT
Du, Alexander	2010	Holmdel, NJ
Ebert, Chase	2009	Las Vegas, NV
Fasenfest, Bernhard	2012	Pleasant Ridge, MI
Fulton, Timothy	2012	West Fall, NY
Gordon, Stefan	2009	St. Catherine, JAM
Grunbeck, John	2009	Amherst, NH
Ha, Seung	2012	Seoul, KOR
Hamilton, James	2012	Andover, MA
Hetzler, Peter	2010	Rumson, NJ
Higgins, Matthew	2010	New Canaan, CT
Huh, Joon-Buhm	2012	Irvine, CA
Jennings, Tyler	2010	Norcross, GA
Jiang, Kevin	2012	Reading, MA
Johnson, Nathan	2011	Andover, MA
Jung, Sung	2012	Andover, MA
Kang, Madison	2009	West Hartford, CT
Khang, Andrew	2010	SIN
Kruy, Joseph	2012	Sudbury, MA
Kwok, Geoffrey	2010	South Charleston, WV
Leahy, Kyle	2010	Andover, MA
Li, Andrew	2010	Belle Mead, NJ
Li, Tiffany	2009	Highland Park, IL
Ma, Michael	2010	North Andover, MA
Macquarrie, Spencer	2010	North Hampton, NH
McKenna, John	2010	Cohasset, MA
Metro, Henry	2010	Walla Walla, WA
Morlani, Anthony	2009	Wilmington, MA
Muran, William	2010	Upper Brookville, NY
Murphy, Liam	2011	Burlington, VT
Narayan, Ram	2010	Rye, NY
Pecora, Charles	2012	San Jose, CA
Potter, Chase	2009	Toronto, CAN
Russell, David	2012	Andover, MA
Sakai, Yu	2010	Brookline, MA
Shack, Jacob	2010	Andover, MA
Shaw, Russell	2011	Andover, MA
Song, Kevin	2011	Green Brook, NJ
Talarico, Benjamin	2011	Suquamish, WA
Vardaro, Robert	2010	North Reading, MA
Walker, Jack	2009	Scituate, MA
Wang, Michael	2011	Reading, MA
Wright, Brandon	2011	North Andover, MA
Yang-Sammataro, Kell	2012	Andover, MA
Zhang, Edward	2009	Holland, OH

COACHES: CORBIN LANG & LOU BERNIERI
ASSISTANT COACHES: PAT FARRELL, DAVID CALLUM,
CHRISTINE MARSHALL, YASMINE ALLEN, TIM MCCALL, VUYELWA MAQUBELA
Captain: Olamide Babatunde

Schedule and Record

Record: 3/1/0

DATE/TIME	OPPONENT	H/A	TYPE	SCORE
1/14 @ 3:00 PM	Governors/Hyde	H	Game	PA 92;Hyde 30; Gov 19; Wil 5
1/21 @ 3:00 PM	Wilbraham/Governor's	H	Game	W PA: 68:GA 12: W 24
1/24 @ 2:00 PM	Andover HS/Wilbraham	H	Scrimmage	L PA 54;AHS 64; W 0
1/25 @ 10:45 AM	GBTC - Open Invitational	A	Game	
1/28 @ 3:30 PM	Haverhill HS/ Governor's	H	Scrimmage	CANCELED
2/4 @ 3:30 PM	North Reading	H	Game	W 67-24
2/18 @ 3:00 PM	Phillips Exeter Academy	A	Game	
2/22 @ 12:00 PM	USATF NE Championships	A	Championship	

Sport: Girls Indoor Track

Year: 2009

Captain: Deidra Willis

Coaches: Corbin Lang, Lou Bernieri

Assistant Coaches: Pat Farrell, David Callum, Christine Marshall, Yasmine Allen, Tim McCall, Vuyelwa Maqubela

Season Record

Won 0 Lost 4 Tied 0

Letterwinners

Bhaiwala, Zahra
Burgess, Anna
Ellinger, Katherine
Flanagan, Colleen
Fumudoh, Ziwerekoru
Hatton, Cayla
Law, Maggie
Odusote, Gloria
Shimer, Sophia
Sichko, Stassja
Stovall, Jasmine
Willis, Deidra

PHILLIPS ACADEMY- ANDOVER
GIRLS ' VARSITY TRACK
2008-2009

Name	Yr	Hometown
Bhaiwala, Zahra	2010	Andover, MA
Burgess, Anna	2009	Boston, MA
Cachia, Julie	2011	Tokyo, JAP
Campbell, Eliza	2009	Andover, MA
Ellinger, Katherine	2012	Wellesley, MA
Flanagan, Colleen	2010	Boxborough, MA
Fumudoh, Ziwerekoru	2010	Lawrence, MA
Hatton, Cayla	2012	Farmington, CT
James, Leigh	2011	Perry, GA
Kwon, Gabriella	2011	LaHabra, CA
Law, Maggie	2010	Garden City, NY
Odusote, Gloria	2009	New York, NY
Okai,Nicole	2010	Corona, NY
Samson, Mary	2012	Nahant, MA
Shimer, Sophia	2009	Andover, MA
Sichko, Stassja	2010	Boston, MA
Simister, Eve	2012	Wellesley, MA
Stovall, Jasmine	2010	Bronx, NY
Thran, Amanda	2011	Jamestown, RI
Wallace, Jacqueline	2010	Prides Crossing, MA
Willis, Deidra	2009	Brooklyn, NY
Wu, Laura	2010	Glen Cove, NY

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Captain: Deidra Willis

Schedule and Record

Record: 0/4/0

DATE/TIME	OPPONENT	H/A	TYPE	SCORE
1/14 @ 3:00 PM	Wilbraham/Governor's/Hyde	H	Game	L PA 56; GA 69; Hyde 17; Wil 7
1/21 @ 3:00 PM	Wilbraham/Governor's	H	Game	L PA 42;GA 60; Wil 7
1/24 @ 2:00 PM	Andover HS/Wilbraham	H	Scrimmage	L PA 31; AHS 82; Wil 1
1/25 @ 10:45 AM	GBTC Open Invitational		Game	
1/28 @ 3:30 PM	Haverhill HS/ Governor's	H	Scrimmage	CANCELED
2/4 @ 3:30 PM	North Reading	H	Game	L PA 42; NR 51
2/18 @ 3:00 PM	Phillips Exeter Academy		Game	
2/22 @ 12:00 PM	USATF- NE Championships		Championship	

Nucleus of 11 Seniors To Lead Track in '09

By Katherine Ellinger
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Led by Captains Mide Babatunde '09 and Deidra Willis '09, newcomers and seasoned runners alike are looking forward to a strong 2009 season for Indoor Track.

Babatunde has been on the track team for, as he says, "four glorious years. Also known as 'Not long enough.'" He says that indoor track "is a sport that I have loved since freshman year."

His commitment to the sport will be an example to new runners.

Several older runners to the sport share this commitment. Conrad Bastable '09, Eddie Zhang '09 and Michael Ma '10 prepared for the track season all fall with Babatunde.

He said, "Their love for the sport is incredibly big... Along with me, these guys came out every day Fall Term to run some pretty tough speed workouts. I know their work is definitely going to pay off this season."

All 11 Seniors on the team are looking forward to personal improvement and exciting meets. Willis, Babatunde, Bastable, Zhang, Sophie Shimer '09, John Grunbeck '09, Kwon-Yong Jin '09, Anthony Morlani '09, Peter Ly '09 and Malin Adams '09 will all be leaders this year.

The main goal this season is for every runner to improve. Coach Corbin Lang said, "If you a run a season's best at your first meet, then there's something wrong."

All of the runners are internally motivated to beat their personal records, but Coach Lang has also given them an extra incentive; when runners break their previous season best, they will earn points that go toward earning a Varsity letter.

The first "race" of the season is a time trial this week; runners will set their first time for the season, and this will be their goal to beat in the first real competition in late January.

The most exciting among this season's meets include the Andover-Exeter meet at the end of the season and two invitational meets at Harvard for the more experienced runners.

Babatunde said about the Harvard meet, "It's a fun trip over and it's interesting to see how a lot of our runners compare to those on college teams. We beat a lot of them!"

For all runners, the most important thing is to help the team succeed.

Babatunde added, "Hopefully the work that Deidra and I put in will make the track program stronger for this season and the rest to come."

All runners look forward to a good season and hope to improve not only their own times, but also the times of the team as a whole.

A.LEVINE/ *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Stefan Gordon '09 (left) and Ram Narayan '10 (center) explode out of the gates.

Track Wins First Meet at Home; Newcomers Shine in First Races

By Katherine Ellinger
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After a flawless display of talent while jumping the hurdles, Joe Kruy '12 crossed the finish line to break the freshman record.

At the quad-meet on Wednesday, track athletes from all events sprinted, jogged and jumped in every direction.

All of the athletes and spectators had to dodge one another, creating chaos – the natural atmosphere of an indoor track meet.

Despite this craziness, Andover athletes focused on their events and started off the season well against Hyde, Wilbraham and Governor's.

Coach Farrell, the long jump coach, said, "New jumpers really just wanted to get in legal jumps – it's very hard to hit the mark when you're still learning. Our returning jumpers had a goal mainly to be close to their personal records from last season, and they mainly accomplished this as most came six to twelve inches from their PRs."

Coach Callum, who trains hurdlers and sprinters, said, "We like to see athletes start where they left off last season, and we were seeing that today."

He continued, "It's hard for runners to be as fast as they were at the end of last season at the start of the next, but we're pretty close."

Many of the older runners did accomplish this, leading Andover to win decisively.

In the jumping events, Captain Mide Babatunde '09 led the high jumpers, winning at a height of 5'2.

Long jump was led by Maggie Law '10 and Eddie Zhang '09.

The two girl shot putters placed first and second, and the boys placed first, second, third and fifth.

The highlights of the meet, however, certainly came from newcomers.

One of the most impressive performances of the day was Joe Kruy '12.

He not only won the fastest heat of the 50-meter hurdles, but also broke the previous ninth-grade record by almost half a second, a huge amount of time for sprinters, with a

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Vardaro '10 and Kruy '12 Debut Impressively

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time of 7.16 seconds.

"This is my third year running," said Kruy, "but I was very surprised with my performance. I really enjoy track, though, and I'm looking forward to this season."

Bobby Vardaro '10, who had only just started shot put eight days before the meet, not only won but came very close to beating the previous Upper record.

Coach Bernieri said, "It's very impressive, being so successful at his first meet. I'm looking forward to seeing how he does in the rest of the season."

Cayla Hatton '12, although a seasoned track runner, proved her worth with her first race for Andover.

She won the girls' mile with a time of 5:29, beating all of her competition by over 45 seconds.

She said, "I felt pretty comfortable. I was a bit nervous, since I'd only run outside before, but it was a great new experience."

Hatton says that she is excited for Saturday's meet, commenting, "I was fairly pleased with my time, but I would like to go faster on Saturday."

The track team, incredibly successful in its first meet, is looking forward to its next meet at Harvard on Sunday.

This meet is hosted by Greater Boston Track Club, and it will be a bigger and more competitive meet than Wednesday's.

Y.WATANABE *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Captain Mide Babatunde '09 sprints to a first-place finish.

Hatton Breaks Freshman Record In Two Mile by Over a Minute

By Katherine Ellinger
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The Andover Track team brought all of its strength to Wednesday's meet against Governor's Academy and Wilbraham. These were the same two teams that were at last week's meet, and again it was a close match between all three.

Standing out from other runners was Cayla Hatton '12, who won the two mile race by several minutes over the other two Wilbraham girls. Not only did she win the event, Hatton broke the freshman record by well over a minute.

Also, several runners participated in a track meet at Harvard, hosted by the Greater Boston Track Club.

"We brought our most promising runners, to introduce them to broader competition at a bigger meet," said Coach Christine Marshall.

Most of the competition were college runners, with the only other high school team being Phillips Exeter Academy. However, Andover runners held their own.

"We were competitive with Boston area colleges, which is very good," said Coach Marshall. "I think we're looking forward to a successful season ahead."

Hatton won the second heat of the mile in 5:14, "A very impressive feat for a high school freshman," said Coach Marshall.

Katie Ellinger '12 also ran under six minutes, and James Hamilton '12 was very close to Hatton's time.

Coach Marshall also said, "Mike Discenza '09, too, did very well. He ran two events – the 800 and the mile, and did well in each. And the sprinters were very fast – it was tough competition, though."

Although only a few runners could come to the meet at Harvard, everybody on the track team participated in Wednesday's home meet.

The shot putters showed their strength, the girls winning second and first place. Jasmine Stovall '10 won with a personal best. Which is "very good this early in the season," said Coach Louis Bernieri.

The boys threw well, too; Bobby Vardaro '10 recorded his second win. "Bobby did really well," said Coach Bernieri. "We're really looking forward to his performance in the next meet – he's sure to do even better."

"Our long jumpers had a pretty good day," said Coach Patrick Farrell. Ziwe Fumudoh '10 came in second, improving her personal record by a whole foot.

"We were looking for more improvement this weekend, though – the season tends to have high points and low points, and for most people this meet wasn't as good as last week's, but hopefully they will be better on Saturday."

For Hatton, though, this meet just one more in a string of continuous high points this season. She ran the two mile race in 11:29, breaking the freshman record by well over a minute.

Hatton started off at a very fast pace, but after the first lap she settled and maintained her target pace for the entire 23.5 laps.

Andover will host Andover High for its next meet on Saturday.

M. DISCENZA *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Cayla Hatton '12 turns a corner in Wednesday's tri-meet.

Vardaro '10 Shatters Upper Shot Put Record With 50'08" Throw

By Katherine Ellinger
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Phillips Andover's Track team may have met tough competition at Andover High School, but such close competition only led to better personal performance.

On Saturday, Bobby Vardaro '10 broke the Upper record for shot put and 47 season's bests were set.

Vardaro, a new shot putter, has been getting closer to the class record at each meet and on Saturday he finally broke it by over two feet.

He threw 50' 08", shattering the previous record of 48'9" set by Anwell Lanfranc '03.

At this point Vardaro and other athletes are only expected to improve.

Coach Patrick Farrell said, "This is the point in the season where hard workouts can lead to less than optimal performance. The payoff from these hard workouts is still two to three weeks away – just in time for Exeter."

In the long jump, Michael Wang '11 jumped over 18 feet for the first time this season, taking first in the event. Coming in a close second behind Wang, Eddy Zhang '09 continued his impressive season by jumping 17' 09".

Ziwe Fumodoh '10 continued to improve her own personal record, taking fourth place with a jump of 13' 8".

"We are hopeful that she'll pop off a 14-footer at the next meet," said Coach Farrell.

Although Andover came in behind AHS overall, runners did very well in individual events. Andover boys won six of 11 events, and in the 300 the boys swept all four places.

Mide Babatunde '09 came in first, followed by Peter Hetzler '10, Ram Narayan '10 and Matthew Higgins '10.

The Andover girls team ran impressively as well, taking first in three events.

Captain Deidra Willis '09 won the 50, Stassja Sichko '10 won the 600, and Colleen Flanagan '10 won the 300.

Flanagan did not win the 300 easily, though.

Coach Corbin Lang said, "Flanagan ran a gutsy 300 for the win, battling an AHS runner all the way."

These successes are especially impressive when the two teams are compared.

Many of the Andover runners were unable to run due to sickness and injury and AHS ended up bringing almost twice as many runners.

However, Andover runners are on the mend and expect to be ready to race again next Wednesday against rival Phillips Exeter.

Last year, Exeter had several talented runners on their roster, and Andover hopes to be ready when the challenge comes.

M. DISCENZA/ *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Andover sprinters turn the corner to finish the 300.

Y. WATANABE/ *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Colleen Flanagan '10 soars over the bar in the pole-vaulting competition.

TRACK

Hetzler '10 Wins 300 Meter Sprint Despite Lack of Experience

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In Wednesday's meet against North Reading High School Cayla Hatton '12 ran and won all three of her events, breaking a record and proving herself as both a distance runner and a sprinter.

Another great performance came from Joe Kruy '12, who broke the freshman record for the 50 Hurdles.

In the 300, several runners greatly improved their times, and some even set personal bests for the season. Newcomer Peter Hetzler '10 led the way for the Andover Boys, running a personal best time of 35.47 seconds.

In the 50, Chase Potter '09 snagged second, followed closely behind by runners Jack Walker '09 and Matt Higgins '10.

Andover Girls Captain Deidra Willis '09 also took second place in the 50, followed close behind by Maggie Law '10 and Ziwe Fumudoh '10.

Andover Girls also swept the 600, with Hatton taking first place, followed by Stassja Sichko '10, Julie Cachia '11, Leigh James '11, Katie Ellinger '12, and Eve Simister '12.

For the distance races, Billy Muran '10 won the mile with a time of 5:15. In the two mile event, the longest running event in each meet, freshman James Hamilton captured first place with an astounding time of 10:46.

One of the highlights of the meet came at the end for Andover, when Hatton, Sichko, Willis and Ellinger teamed up to run the 4 by 400 Relay. With three of the four athletes being distance runners, they were only used to running one event each meet.

The 4 by 400 Relay was the most impressive of Hatton's races on Wednesday. She said, "We were all excited going into the relay because it was right after the 1000, so we didn't have any time to think about how tired we all were. Despite our exhaustion, we came ready to compete."

Even though many people had left by the time the relay runners stepped up to the startling lines, those who remained saw one of the most impressive come from behind victories of the season. The fourth runner on her team, Hatton came from behind in third place to win, running only three laps on the track.

Not having a meet for another week, Andover Track will look to move into the speed portion of their workout. Next Wednesday, Andover will face off in a JV meet against rival Phillips Exeter Academy. In two weeks, Andover Varsity will look to take on Exeter's varsity counterparts at their home track.

M. DISCENZA/ *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Joe Kruy '12 jumps over his first hurdle in his best event, the 50 Meter Hurdles, in which he came in second place.

Track Gains Experience Despite Loss to Archrival Phillips Exeter Academy

By Katherine Ellinger
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover's Track Team brought its fiercest competition to Exeter, New Hampshire this past Wednesday to face archrival Phillips Exeter Academy.

This last team meet of the season was "a good meet to end on," according to Coach Corbin Lang, despite the loss for the team as a whole.

Many team members performed better than they had all season, achieving season's bests and personal records.

Jack Walker '09 won the 50 Meter dash, beating an extremely competitive field of Exeter and Andover runners by a very slim margin.

Captain Mide Babatunde '09 won the high jump, with a height of 5' 4".

Coach Lang said, "This was really a great way for him to end the season."

He continued, "He won his field event, at Exeter, in the last meet of his last indoor season."

John McKenna '10 won the long jump, with a length of 18' 5.5", despite having recently recovered from an injury.

Joe Kruy '12 had the same time for the 50 Meter Hurdles as a senior hurdler from Exeter, 6.7 seconds. Track officials gave the win to the Exeter hurdler, although their times were tied.

Malin Adams '09 won the pole vault with a height of 10' 6", and Chase Potter '09 won the 300 Meter dash with a time of 35.9 seconds. The boys' relay team came in a very close second.

After Walker, Anthony Morlani '09, and Potter had run the first three legs, Babatunde ran the final 400 meters in the 4x400 Meter Relay.

Despite catching up to the Exeter runner, Babatunde's competition was able to pull away in the final meters of the race.

Running the Two Mile event, Cayla Hatton '12 was the only Andover girl to win her respective event.

She won in a decisive fashion, lapping all of her competitors at least two times.

Finishing in 11:34.6 minutes, Hatton came close to beating Exeter's indoor Two Mile record.

Despite all of these victories, Andover was not able to pull away , when the scores were counted up, win. Coach David Callum said, "Several of our events were very competitive, with our athletes getting close seconds.

The score doesn't really do justice to the effort we put in."

Lang, who believes that improvement is the main goal, said, "I was very glad that we saw so much improvement from the beginning of the season to now."

He continued, "Despite the loss, we saw a lot of great things from everyone today."

Distance Runners Fare Well

Discenza '09 Turns in Mile Time of 4:33.18

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both ran in the 60 and 200. Willis ran the 60 in 8.76 seconds, while Burgess followed closely behind in 8.83 seconds. In the 200 both athletes recorded impressive times. Burgess finished her race with a time of 29.06, while Willis ran the race in 29.57.

The distance team also displayed their strength on Sunday. Cayla Hatton '12 finished third in the 3000 with a time of 10:31.94. Hatton, a newcomer to the team, has consistently been the fastest distance girl for the track team. Stassja Sichko '10, the only other distance girl at the meet, ran the 800 and finished with a time of 2:35.58.

Three Andover athletes ran the one mile. Mike Discenza '09 finished in 4:33.18, Charles Ganner '10 in 4:37.34, and Eli Howe '09 in 4:50.60.

Andover Goes to Harvard

"Freshman Extraordinaire" Stands Out

By Katherine Ellinger
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Some of Andover's most dedicated track runners competed against not only high school but also college athletes on Sunday at the 2009 USATF New England Indoor Championship at Harvard University.

Despite the fierce competition, the track team proved its depth. Several Andover runners managed to place third in their races, some competing against runners twice their age.

Joe Kruy '12 once again excelled in his race, placing third in the 60 Meter Hurdles with a time of 8.79.

Captain Mide Babatunde '09 described Kruy as a "freshman extraordinaire", saying that he "really stood out again. He not only ran a personal best in the 60 Meter Hurdles but he managed to soundly defeat the Exeter Senior who barely beat him out at Andover/Exeter on Wednesday."

Babatunde himself ran well in the 200 and 400, finishing in 24.6 and 54.11 seconds, respectively. He said, "It was my first time running the 200 and I was very happy with the race. I was a little worried that I would be spent after busting through the 400, but the 200 is such a quick race, you don't even feel it."

Another notable performance came from sprinter Chase Potter '09. He led Andover in the 200 with a time of 23.85 and the 400 with a time of 53.70.

Deidra Willis '09 and Anna Burgess '09, the only female sprinters for Andover,

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Sport: Wrestling

Year: 2009

Captains: Reid Mosquera, Shaun Stuer

Coach: Rich Gorham

Assistant Coach: Bob Gannon

Season Record

Won 14 Lost 2 Tied 0

First at Class A Championships
Third at New Englands
16th at Nationals

Letterwinners

Ahmad, Faiyad
Chan, Paul
Crystal, Duncan
Dempsey, Colton
Dodge, Samuel
Elder, Benjamin
Gaiss, Ryan
Gottfried, Alexander
Hanafin, Brian
Latham, Christopher
McMurtrie, Daniel
Mosquera, Reid
Palmer, Robert
Park, Jin
Puymartin, Guy Karim
Sanderson, Scott
Sneider, Brandon
Stuer, Shaun
Tedesco, Anthony

PHILLIPS ACADEMY- ANDOVER
VARSITY WRESTLING
2008-2009

Name	Yr	Hometown
Arena, Timothy	2012	Andover, MA
Chan, Paul	2010	Gilbert, AZ
Crystal, Duncan	2010	Melrose, MA
Cuthell, Scott	2011	Weehawken, NJ
Danner, Charles	2011	New York, NY
Dempsey, Colton	2012	Greenwich, CT
Dodge, Samuel	2009	Ann Arbor, MI
Elder, Benjamin	2009	Lexington, KY
Gaiss, Ryan	2011	North Andover, MA
Gottfried, Alexander	2009	North Andover, MA
Hanafin, Brian	2012	Andover, MA
Latham, Christopher	2009	Groveland, MA
Louis, Teddy	2009	Roselle, NJ
McMurtrie, Daniel	2010	Midlothian, VA
Mosquera, Reid	2009	Andover, MA
Newman, Samuel	2009	Beverly, MA
Palmer, Robert	2011	Concord, MA
Park, Jin	2011	Seoul,KOR
Pohly, Andrew	2009	Eastlake, OH
Puymartin, Guy Karim	2009	Paris,FRA
Sanderson, Scott	2009	West Newton, MA
Sneider, Brandon	2012	Concord, MA
Stoldt, Emerson Harris	2009	Hopkinton, MA
Stuer, Shaun	2009	North Chelmsford, MA
Tedesco, Anthony	2012	Woburn, MA
Yang-Sammataro, John	2010	Andover, MA

COACHES: RICH GORHAM & BOB GANNON

Captains: Reis Mosquera & Shaun Stuer
Manager: Kim Curie

Schedule and Record

Record: 14/2/0

DATE/TIME	OPPONENT	H/A	TYPE	SCORE
11/19 @ 2:30 PM	Phillips Exeter Academy	A	Scrimmage	
11/19 @ 2:30 PM	Governor's Academy	A	Scrimmage	
12/6 @ 3:00 PM	Noble & Greenough School	H	Game	W 57-18
12/12 @ 6:00 PM	Lawrenceville Tournament	A	Tournament	
12/13 @ 12:00 PM	Lawrenceville Tournament	A	Tournament	W 2-1
1/10 @ 2:00 PM	Choate Rosemary Hall	A	Game	W 46-19
1/14 @ 3:30 PM	Andover High School	H	Game	W 60-15
1/16 @ 7:00 PM	Northfield Mount Herman	H	Game	L 44-33
1/17 @ 12:00 PM	Deerfield Academy	A	Game	W 51-18
1/17 @ 12:00 PM	Hyde School (ME)	A	Game	W 70-12
1/17 @ 12:00 PM	Hyde School (CT)	A	Game	W 62-18
1/21 @ 4:00 PM	Tabor Academy	H	Game	W 60-13
1/24 @ 4:30 PM	Loomis Chaffee	A	Game	W 41-30
1/24 @ 4:30 PM	Belmont Hill School	A	Game	L 25-40
1/28 @ 3:30 PM	Worcester Academy	A	Game	CANCELED
1/31 @ 2:30 PM	Governor's Academy	H	Game	W 40-30
1/31 @ 2:30 PM	Tilton School	H	Game	W 75-0
1/31 @ 2:30 PM	Hyde School (CT)	H	Game	W 67-6
2/7 @ 10:00 AM	Northern New Englands	A	Game	W 60-24
2/11 @ 3:00 PM	Phillips Exeter Academy	H	Game	
2/14 @ 9:00 AM	Class A	A	Game	W 253-251.5
2/19 @ 12:00 PM	Nationals	A	Championship	
2/20 @ 12:00 PM	Nationals	A	Championship	
2/21 @ 12:00 PM	Nationals	A	Championship	16th out of 123
2/27 @ 6:00 PM	New Englands	A	Game	
2/28 @ 9:00 AM	New Englands	A	Game	3rd place

Noble and Greenough

12/6/2008

Wrestlers Top Nobles in Opener. The Phillips Academy varsity wrestling team opened its season at home on Saturday with a dual against Nobles, and picked up a victory, 57-18. Andover won 8 of the 10 contested bouts, with five wins coming by fall. Colt Dempsey '12 got Andover's season off on the right start as he opened his PA career with a pin in just 24 seconds, at 125 pounds. Also winning by pin were Ryan Gaiss '11, Robert Palmer '11, Ben Elder '09 and Scott Sanderson '09. Duncan Crystal '10 won by decision at 130lb, and Brandon Sneider '12 made his PA debut a memorable one with an 8-3 victory. Chris Latham '09 reversed a loss from last year's dual, winning a solid 6-1 decision at 160lb. In exhibition matches, Tim Arena '12 had two victories, Sam Newman '09 won two matches, and Will Park '11 had a win.

Andover sent a JV team to the Belmont Hill JV Jamboree on Saturday, and PA's wrestlers acquitted themselves well, recording a won/loss record of 18-3. Danny McMurtrie '10 was 4-0, Drake Ambroze '10 was 3-0, Charlie Danner '11 was 2-0, Demetrius Lalanne '11 was 2-0, Karl Hardin '11 was 2-0, Andrei Macovei '09 was 2-1, Paul Chan '10 was 2-1, and Alex Davidson '12 was 1-1.

Lawrenceville Tournament

12/12/2008

After the end of fall assessments, the Big Blue wrestlers headed to New Jersey for the inaugural Big Red Duals hosted by the Lawrenceville School on Saturday, December 13. The event featured prep teams from Pennsylvania (Episcopal Academy) and Maryland (Archbishop Curley). The Blue acquitted themselves well, compiling a 2-1 record on the day against some tough competition. Andover opened with Lawrenceville, which fielded an injury-depleted lineup, missing many of their starters, and came away with a 70-9 victory and ten pins, including the first-ever win for Brian Hanafin '12, at 103 pounds. Sam Dodge '09 dropped a marathon 14-12 decision at 171 pounds in three overtimes against a tough foe. Next up was perennial power Archbishop Curley, and the Friars prevailed in an exciting dual meet, 41-30. Duncan Crystal '10 won a 15-5 major decision at 130 pounds, Ryan Gaiss '11 had a technical fall victory at 135, and Scott Sanderson '09 and captain Shaun Stuer '09 each recorded pins. In the third dual of the day, the Blue wrestlers dug deep for the energy needed to post a 36-31 win over Episcopal. Both Stuer and Brandon Sneider '12 got pins, and Sanderson won his third bout of the day with a 7-0 decision at 145. Chris Latham '09 sealed the dual victory with a key win at 160 pounds, beating a tough opponent, 12-5. Both Sanderson and Stuer went 3-0 with 2 pins on the day, and Sneider also had two pins. Crystal, Gaiss, Latham and Robert Palmer '11 each had two wins. Latham was presented the Team Sportsmanship award, sponsored by Lawrenceville. Now 3-1 on the young season, the Big Blue wrestlers are now off for winter break until January 10, when they face the Wild Boars of Choate-Rosemary Hall.

Choate

1/10/2009

The Big Blue wrestlers opened their 2009 Class A League schedule with a 46-19 victory over the Choate Wild Boars in an away dual meet on Saturday. Andover won 9 of the 14 matches, with 6 victories by fall, in improving their season record to 4-1. Guy Karim-Puymartin opened the dual with a first-period pin at 215 pounds. Alex Gottfried added as pin of his own at heavyweight, and the Blue had an early 12-0 lead. After a pair of Wild Boar wins, the freshman duo of Brandon Sneider (119lb) and Colt Dempsey (125lb) recorded back-to-back victories, with Dempsey's a 15-3 major decision over a returning Class A place winner. Duncan Crystal scored a first-period pin at 130 pounds, and the Blue opened a 28-9 lead. Not to be outdone, freshman Anthony Tedesco inaugurated his PA career with a 10-5 win over a returning Class A place winner at 140 pounds. Robert Palmer got a pin at 145, and Andover had a 37-13 lead. Sam Dodge gutted out a 12-9 win at 171 pounds, and Captain Shaun Stuer finished the meet with a first period pin at 189. In exhibition matches, Paul Chan, Charlie Danner, Arun Saigal, Will Park, Andrei Macovei, Faiyed Ahmad and Margot Pickney recorded victories. The Big Blue now prepares for a busy week, as they take on Andover High next Wednesday before a Class A showdown with #1-ranked NMH on Friday evening, January 16, at home at 7pm.

NMH

1/16/2009

In front of a raucous home crowd of over 300 people, the Big Blue wrestlers dropped a wild 44-33 decision to a tough NMH Hogger team in a Friday night dual meet. NMH came in ranked #1 in Prep New England, with Andover at #2, and NMH proved just a bit better on this night. The dual began at 171 pounds, where senior Sam Dodge earned a third period pin to put the Blue on top, 6-0. After a loss at 189, captain Shaun Stuer moved up a weight to 215 and recorded a first period pin. NMH won two of the next three bouts and led 24-18 going into the 125 match, where freshman Colt Dempsey pulled off a big upset over his favored NMH foe, 10-8. Duncan Crystal followed with a win by disqualification at 130 and Ryan Gaiss nailed down a pin with four seconds left in the second period to give the Blue the lead, 33-24. However, NMH won the last four bouts of the dual to make the final score 44-33. It was a great night for high school wrestling, featuring the national anthem performed by the Yorkies acapella group, which includes several wrestlers, including co-captain Reid Mosquera, and a wonderful reception provided by PA parents. The Blue have a quick turn around, with a quad meet at Deerfield on Saturday.

Governor's

1/31/2009

The Big Blue wrestlers swept a home quad on Saturday, defeating Governor's Academy 48-30, Hyde-Woodstock 67-6, and the Tilton School, 75-0. On the day, Andover went 22-6 in the 28 contests bouts and collected 19 wins by pin. Robert Palmer led the way with 3 pins, competing at 140 & 145 pounds Teddy Louis (152), Chris Latham (160), Sam Dodge (171), Shaun Stuer (189) and Ryan Gaiss (135) each also had two pins. Will Park (140) made his varsity debut a memorable one, recording a pin, and an exciting 10-9 decision over a quality opponent, by escaping with seven seconds left in the third period to break a 9-9 tie. Faiyed Ahmed earned his first varsity pin, at 215 pounds. Captain Shaun Stuer (189) extended his season record to 16-0. The Big Blue is now 13-3 on the season with one dual meet remaining – the annual showdown with Exeter, at home on Wednesday February 11. This coming Saturday, Andover travels north to compete in the Northern Invitational Tournament at Tilton.

Special mention must go to the best parents in New England Prep wrestling! Andover's wonderful wrestling parents organized and provided a post-meet reception that was enjoyed by all. Thank you!

Northern New Englands

2/7/2009

Twenty-one Andover wrestlers participated in the 2009 Northern Invitational Tournament at the Tilton School on Saturday, and seven emerged as individual champions as the Big Blue took home their first team tournament title in three years. PA finished with 281.5 points far outdistancing the 14-team field. Lexington Christian finished 2nd, Worcester Academy 3rd, and Milton 4th. Winning individual titles for PA were Colton Dempsey (125lb), Duncan Crystal (130), Ryan Gaiss (135), Ben Elder (145), Scott Sanderson (152), Sam Dodge (171) and Captain Shaun Stuer (189). An additional eight PA wrestlers placed in the top four of their weight class. They were Charlie Danner (4th at 125), Tim Arena (3rd at 130), Sam Newman (4th at 135), Anthony Tedesco (4th at 140), Robert Palmer (4th at 145), Chris Latham (3rd at 160), Danny McMurtrie (3rd at 215) and Alex Gottfried (2nd at 285). Also wrestling well for PA were Brian Hanafin (103), Allen Zhang (103), Will Park (140), Teddy Louis (152) and Faiyed Ahmed (189). Overall PA compiled a won/loss record of 60-24 with 45 pins. Dempsey and Dodge each went 4-0 with 4 pins to win their titles. Tim Arena and Chris Latham each won four straight to take third after a first-round loss. Charlie Danner and Sam Newman each wrestled six matches, recording three pins a piece. Crystal defeated a top rival in the finals. Andover now prepares for Wednesday's showdown home dual against archrival Exeter, and for the Class A League Tournament, held next Saturday, Feb 14, at Tabor. Special thanks go to the wonderful tournament directors, volunteers and staff at the Tilton School for an outstanding job.

Class A Championship

2/14/2009

In a tournament not decided until the final seconds, the Phillips Academy wrestling team took home the team title at the Class A championships held at Tabor Academy on Saturday, February 14. The Blue edged out pre-tournament favorite Northfield Mount Herman by 1.5 points on the strength of Alex Gottfried's 6-2 win in the third place match at heavyweight in the final bout of the day. Both PA and NMH had excellent tournament performances. PA placed all 13 of its wrestlers in the top four, with three champions, and finished with a school-record 253 points, while NMH had 12 placers and five individual champs to finish with 251.5 points. Loomis was third with 176 points, in the field of 13 teams. It was the closest tournament since 1999, when PA won its last title in similar fashion: over NMH, 195-192, with a win at heavyweight in the final bout of the tournament. There were many heroes on the day, including PA's three Class A champions: Ryan Gaiss '11 at 135 pounds, Duncan Crystal '10 at 130, and senior co-captain Shaun Stuer '09 at 189. Stuer became PA's eighth two-time Class A champion, and was named winner of the Ted Seabrooke Award as the tournament's Most Outstanding Wrestler. Colton Dempsey '12 (125lb), Ben Elder '09 (145lb) and Sam Dodge '09 (171lb) each placed second. Three PA wrestlers finished third: Brandon Sneider '12 (119lb), Scott Sanderson '09 (152lb) and Alex Gottfried '09 (285lb). Placing fourth were Brian Hanafin '12 (103lb), Anthony Tedesco '12 (140lb), Chris Latham '09 (160lb) and Danny McMurtrie '10 (215lb). Both Latham (seeded 7th, placed 4th) and Sneider (seeded 5th, placed 3rd) significantly exceeded their seeds. Gottfried's win reversed a loss from just one week ago. Sanderson's gritty 5-4 win in the third place bout over an NMH foe who defeated him in the dual was key to the team victory. Elder was thrown to his back in his quarterfinal bout, but rallied to win and went to the finals. Dodge also had a tough quarterfinal win, 3-2, but then recorded a pin in the semi-finals. All 13 of PA's starters have qualified to compete in the New England tournament at Avon Old Farms in two weeks, and nine have qualified to compete at the National Prep tournament this weekend at Lehigh University in Pennsylvania. The 2009 team joins the 1970, 1971 and 1999 PA teams as Class A champions. When a team wins a title, there is a lot of credit to go around, and the coaching staff is grateful to our athletic department, training staff, and outstanding parent organization for their support.

Nationals

2/21/2009

Shaun Stuer's second consecutive Prep All American finish highlighted the Big Blue's performance at the 2009 Prep School National championships held at Lehigh University on February 20-21. Andover's eight entries compiled a won/loss record of 17-14 and their total of 56 points was good for 16th place in the 123-team field. Both the point total and the team finish are the highest for PA in at least the last twenty years. For the second straight year, PA was the second-highest performing New England prep team, behind NMH. Seeded third at 189 pounds after a fifth-place finish last year, Stuer opened his tournament with four straight wins on Friday, three by pin, and one in overtime. That propelled him into Saturday morning's semi-final, where he took on the #2 seed, and dropped a heartbreaking last-second 4-2 loss. Fighting a strained

shoulder, he dropped to sixth place. Stuer joins Dan Shvartsman '02 as a two-time place-winner at the National Preps, and with 71 victories, now ranks #9 on PA's career win list. Sam Dodge '09 opened with two wins at 171 pounds, the first by pin, and the next a wild 16-15 victory over the #10 seed, before withdrawing from the tournament with an elbow injury. Colton Dempsey '12 turned in perhaps the best nationals performance ever by a PA freshman, as he won three bouts and lost in the round of twelve, falling just short of a top-eight finish at 125 pounds. Ryan Gaiss '11, seeded #8 at 135 pounds, won three bouts, two by pin. Ben Elder '09 opened with an exciting overtime win at 145 pounds, and added another win before bowing out. Scott Sanderson '09 also won two bouts, at 152 pounds, one by pin. Also competing well for PA were Brandon Sneider '12 at 119 pounds and Duncan Crystal '10 at 130. Andover now prepares for the season-ending Prep New England tournament at Avon Old Farms School this weekend. Thirteen PA grapplers have qualified to compete, and the Blue hope to make a run at the team title.

New Englands

2/28/2009

The Big Blue wrestlers concluded their season with a strong third place showing at the New England Prep tournament held at the Avon Old Farms School Feb 27-28. Eight Andover wrestlers earned medals, and PA's total of 146 points was the most in recent years. Shaun Stuer '09 concluded his illustrious PA career with a New England title, earned via a pin in the finals at 189 pounds, and was voted the meet's Most Outstanding Wrestler. Shaun had a tough route to the finals, winning 5-4 in four overtimes (ultimate tiebreaker) in the semi-finals. In the finals, he was thrown to his back in the first period, but fought off, and secured a cross-face cradle for the pin early in the second period. Minutes before Shaun's thrilling finals victory, his brother Eric, competing for Wilbraham & Monson, won the 171 pound title. This marked the first time since 1998 that brothers had won New England titles in the same year (sophomore Geoff & senior Mike Reisman won 112 & 125 pound titles for St. Paul's.) Shaun ends his season with a record of 31-2, and career at 75-8, which ranks #8 on PA's all-time win list. He is the leader of a group of outstanding seniors whose PA careers came to a close on Saturday. Scott Sanderson '09 earned sixth place at 152 pounds, and finishes with 70 career wins, tied for tenth all-time. Ben Elder '09 placed third at 145 pounds to end his senior season with a record of 21-7. Sam Dodge '09 was fifth at 171 pounds, and was 26-6 overall as a senior. Chris Latham '09 won two bouts, including a pin, contributing valuable team points, and Alex Gottfried represented Andover well at 285 pounds. Upper Duncan Crystal recorded the upset of the day for Andover, knocking off the heavily favored #1 seed at 130 pounds in the semi-finals, 7-6, before losing an oh-so-close finals match, 3-2. Crystal now has 70 career wins, with a year to go. Precocious freshman Colton Dempsey also made the finals, finishing second at 125 pounds. Dempsey ends his rookie campaign with a PA freshman-record 28 wins, and is the first PA freshman since Dan Shvartsman '02 to make the New England finals (Dan was 2nd at 103 in 1999). Not to be outdone, fellow rookie Brandon Sneider won five bouts (three by pin) and finished third at 119 pounds from a #7 seed, defeating the #4 and #3-seeded wrestlers along the way. Ryan Gaiss '11 finished sixth at 135 pounds, rallying from a 12-4 deficit in the third period to win a wild 15-13 match in the quarter-finals. Wrestling up a weight class at 215 pounds, Danny McMurtrie '10 won two bouts, both by pin. Anthony Tedesco '12 won two matches at 140 pounds. First-year

wrestler Brian Hanafin '12 competed well at 103. Belmont Hill won the team title with 179 points, with NMH second with 168. The future looks bright as Andover will return seven New England qualifiers and four place winners (Sneider, Dempsey, Crystal, Gaiss) next season.

Wrestling Looks to Repeat 2008 Success

By Kyle Leahy
PHILLIPIAN **SPORTS WRITER**

The Andover Wrestling team hopes to build on its impressive second-place finish at last year's New England Championship.

In a 48-school competition, Andover produced two individual champs and five total medalists, marking Andover's best finish since '99. Led by Co-Captains Hector Cintron '08 and Shaun Stuer '09, the 2007-2008 team including Reid Mosquera '09, Duncan Crystal '10 and Ryan Gaiss '11 was one of the best teams that Andover has had in a very long time.

With Co-Captain Stuer, Crystal and Gaiss returning, the 2008-2009 team looks to be just as promising.

Unfortunately, Mosquera suffered a severe injury in the offseason. Despite this season-ending injury, a partially torn ACL, Mosquera continues to remain a leader. "I think that it is remarkable how much of a presence he has in the room despite the fact that he is unable to wrestle thus far," said Crystal.

Although Mosquera is injured, this season's team has a lot of potential. "The team has high expectations and hopes to win the New England title, which we've never won," said Coach Rich Gorham in a press release to local newspapers.

The team's heavyweight, Alex Gottfried '09, also posted a solid 17-14 personal tally last year and will likely play a large role in the season's outcome.

Along with four returners, Andover will be strongly reinforced by budding new talent from the classes of 2011 and 2012. Newcomers Will Park '11, Charles Danner '11, Anthony Tedesco '12, Colt Dempsy '12, Brandon Sneider '12 and Tim Arena '12 will fill in new roles in the squad and add to the team's depth. Coach Gorham sees each newcomer as an extremely valuable asset to an already strong team. "We have a very strong incoming class — as strong as we've ever had in my 12 years as head coach. Sneider, Dempsey, Danner, Arena, Park and Tedesco all enter with experience and all could play a role with the varsity this season."

All in all, the general feeling in the wrestling room is that there is no reason that the team won't put on a show from day one, all the way through to February.

"Last year, we prided ourselves on working harder than any other team. All of our hard work paid off with a second-place finish at New Englands. This year's team looks to improve upon that with hopes of being the Class-A and New England Champions," said Stuer.

The Big Blue's top competitors will include perennial powerhouses Northfield Mount Hermon, Tabor and Belmont Hill.

The season kicks off with the team's first match against the Noble and Grenough School at home this Saturday at 3 p.m. It is safe to assume that the Andover squad will pick up right where it left off.

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Andover wrestlers practice for the upcoming match against Choate.

Dominating Nobles, Eight of Ten Wrestlers Win Matches to Gain Win

By Kyle Leahy
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Andover opened its season at home versus Nobles and came away with a strong 57-18 victory. The team then traveled to New Jersey for the Lawrenceville School's Big Red Duals.

Against Nobles, Andover won eight of the ten contested bouts, with five wins coming by fall. Colt Dempsey '12 (125 pounds) opened his Andover career with a pin in 24 seconds for the 125-pound weight class. Along with Dempsey, Ryan Gaiss '11 (135 pounds), Robert Palmer '11 (140 pounds), Ben Elder '09 (145 pounds) and Scott Sanderson '09 (152 pounds) all recorded pins.

Among the other victories, Duncan Crystal '10 won by decision at 130 pounds, Brandon Sneider '12 (119 pounds) won by decision, and Captain Shaun Stuer '09 won by forfeit.

Andover started the winter break confident and prepared for the up and coming Big Red Duals on December 13, in New Jersey, hosted by the Lawrenceville School. The competition included teams from both Maryland and Pennsylvania (Archbishop Curley and Episcopal Academy). The stiff competition promised to make the tournament the most taxing event for Andover so far this winter.

Andover faced Lawrenceville first. The competition sported an injury-racked lineup, hindering key starters.

But regardless of injuries, Andover proved to be much more conditioned and prepared for the meeting, firmly taking a 70-9 victory.

With 10 overall pins—including a first-time victory for Brian Hanafin '12 (103 pounds)—Andover rolled on to a completely different team: Archbishop Curley.

Andover battled the Maryland team in an astounding dual meet, but lost in a tough 41-30 decision.

Crystal won a 15-5 major decision at 130 pounds, Gaiss had a technical fall victory at 135, and Sanderson and Stuer each recorded pins. Andover looked to rebound in their next dual.

The final opponent at the tourney was Episcopal Academy, and Andover found the drive to succeed.

The team worked hard to earn a 36-31 victory. Stuer (who went 3-0 on the day) and Sneider pinned their opponents, and Sanderson ended his 3-0 day with a 7-0 win.

At the end of the meet, Chris Latham '09 secured the victory with a clutch win and his overall performance earned him the Team Sportsmanship award, sponsored by Lawrenceville. Latham's wrestling was one of the highlights of the New Jersey Tournament.

The stats on the day included two pins from Stuer, Sanderson and Sneider, along with two victories each from Crystal, Gaiss, Latham and Robert Palmer.

With a 3-1 record so far this year, Andover resumes its season this Saturday at Choate Rosemary Hall.

Wrestling Continues to Win with 5-1 Record; Freshmen Performances Help Secure Victories

By Kyle Leahy
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

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With strong performances from the freshman class, Andover wrestling continued their strong season in the past week improving to 5-1.

Coming off of a victory against a deep Nobles team, Andover proceeded to beat its next two opponents of Choate Rosemary Hall (46-19) and Andover High School (60-15) last Saturday and Wednesday, respectively.

Against Choate, Andover won 9 of 14 matches. Andover took an early 12-0 lead, and then continued to a 28-9 gap, starting with back-to-back wins by freshman Brandon Sneider '12 (who beat a returning Class A place finisher in a major decision) and Colt Dempsey '11.

Duncan Crystal '10 added to the lead with a pin in the first period. Soon after, Anthony Tedesco '12 recorded his very first win as an Andover wrestler when he beat another returning Class A place finisher at 140lbs 10-5.

Sam Dodge '09 then beat his opponent 12-5 at 171lbs, and Co-Captain Shaun Stuer '09 finished the meet with a pin at 189lbs. Against Andover High, Andover picked up 8 pins on the day against a developing Golden Warrior wrestling program.

Despite the smooth road over the past week, these two meets were important to the success of the team, but quite simply they come nowhere near the challenge and intensity of the upcoming championship rematch with defending champs Northfield Mount Hermon.

The NMH Hoggers are currently ranked first in the league with Andover in second place. This highly anticipated matchup will bring out the best from both powerhouses, and will set the tone for the rest of the season. NMH last year posted a dual meet record of 21-1. This outstanding record was accompanied by their New England Championship title, a Class A Championship, first-place finishes at three major tournaments, and 11th out of 120 schools at the National Prep Championships.

In addition, Andover finished second to NMH at the Class A Championships last year, and a chance at revenge could not come soon enough. The team has been continuing their strenuous practices, but they have practiced with a completely different mindset.

Their goal to work toward during practice has been simply to crush NMH. While over the past season NMH has been one-upping Andover's impressive performances, this year's team is displaying depth which the school has not seen in a long time.

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Guy Puymartin '09 gains position on his opponent and locks him in a hold.

Y. WATANABE/ *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Guy Puymartin '09 holds his NMH opponent on the mat in Friday's meet.

WRESTLING

Wrestling Loses to #1 Ranked NMH; Rebounds With Quad Meet Victory

By Kyle Leahy
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In front of an unrelenting crowd and against one of his toughest opponents of the season, Captain Shaun Stuer '09 gained a pin on his highly skilled opponent in 52 seconds, earning Andover its second victory of the NMH match.

Despite the stunning victory, Andover ended up losing the meet 44-33.

The NMH wrestlers proved to be a worthy adversary to the #2 ranked Andover squad. The first match began with Sam Dodge '09 at 171 lbs, who earned a pin in the third period. Andover lost the next bout at 189 lbs, but Stuer racked up a first period pin when he moved up a weight class. NMH won two out of the next three matchups and took a 24-18 lead.

With Andover trailing, Colton Dempsey '12 stepped onto the mat against the number one wrestler from New England Championships last year in his weight class. After three long periods, Dempsey earned a regular decision. Dempsey said afterwards, "I went into the match knowing I had nothing to lose. I was thinking that I wanted it more than him, and after the first takedown, I had a huge confidence boost."

Duncan Crystal '10 followed up with a win by disqualification, and Ryan Gaiss '11 then pinned his opponent with four seconds left in the third period. This gave Andover a 33-24 lead with four bouts to go. Unfortunately, NMH swept these four, and went on to win the dual meet 44-33.

There was no time for Andover to take a break, as they traveled three hours to Deerfield the next day for a quad meet. They rebounded perfectly; sweeping the meet and losing only three bouts. Andover beat Deerfield 51-18, Hyde-Connecticut 62-18 and Hyde-Maine 70-12. Stuer went 3-0 with 2 pins to stay undefeated on the year, and Scott Sanderson '09 was 3-0 with 3 pins. Dempsey, Crystal, Gaiss, Ben Elder '09 and Dodge were all 3-0 as well.

Elder's 3-1 win in overtime against Deerfield sealed that victory for Andover.

This past Wednesday, Andover faced a routinely tough Tabor Academy team, but the day belonged to Andover, dominating the meet and cruising to a 60-13 victory.

Coming up this Saturday, Andover is hosted by Loomis-Chaffee, as they try to bring their record to 10-2 on the year

Andover Wrestlers Take 9 Out Of 13 Bouts Against Loomis Chaffee

By Kyle Leahy
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

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After a long bus ride that would have hindered many athletes' performances, veteran wrestler Scott Sanderson '09 performed quite to the contrary, turning in a dominating performance over his Loomis Chaffee opponent in a bout that was scored at 16-1 to lead his team to a victory over Loomis.

With tough Class A opponents in several of their past few bouts, Andover is impressively maintaining focus and performance, which shows in its current record.

After taking its first loss of the year against NMH, Andover has gone on a tear of five straight victories. This week, Andover continued its forceful rebound from the NMH meet, beating Loomis Chaffee, but then dropped a tough loss to rival Belmont Hill.

Looking to push the record to 10-2, Sanderson highlighted the Loomis meet with a dominating 16-1 technical fall.

Along with Sanderson's win, Andover took nine out of 13 bouts and walked away with a 41-30 victory. Andover picked up pins from Ben Elder '09, Sam Dodge '09 and Alex Gottfried '09.

Duncan Crystal '10, Ryan Gaiss '11 and Captain Shaun Stuer '09 added wins by major decision, and Andover's talented freshmen class went undefeated in the matchup against Loomis.

Andover headed to face their next opponent in the meet, Belmont Hill. Andover did not fare as well against the highly lauded Belmont Hill wrestlers. Belmont Hill is nearly perfect on the year, with a record of 14-1, with their only loss coming against Northfield Mount Hermon. Stuer led the way with a pin against a tough foe, and Sanderson and Dodge added pins of their own to aid the Andover cause.

The Belmont Hill team pulled off several victories in a row, despite losing one team point for unsportsmanlike conduct, and wound up with a 40-25 win. Andover dropped its second of two matchups, going 1-1 on the day.

Despite a valiant effort by all the wrestlers on the Andover team, perennial New England powerhouse Belmont Hill was too much for Andover to handle.

Crystal said afterwards, "We put in great work ethic this week, and even though we lost, we gave it a good run."

With their meet against Class A opponent Worcester Academy this Wednesday called off due to weather, there has been a week-long pause of action for the wrestling team.

This Saturday at 2:30, Andover will play host to nearby Governor's Academy, which holds a 6-8 record. One of GA's losses came from a match against Hyde, a team which Andover controlled easily in their previous meeting.

Andover will continue to practice rigorously throughout the week, and they plan to keep the winning trend going into Northern New Englands on February 7.

Andover Wrestling Dominates Opponents in Quad School Meet

By Kyle Leahy
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

For Andover Wrestling, the hard work that they have put in all season paid off this past week.

Phillips Academy's Wrestling team has been on a roll, going 8-1 since losing to NMH, and beating Class A rivals such as Loomis Chaffee (41-30) and the hosts of this year's Class A championships Tabor Academy (60-13).

This past Sunday, Andover's tough schedule continued when they hosted a quad meet against Governors Academy, Hyde-Woodstock and the Tilton School.

Andover recorded eight total pins and dominated Governors en route to a 48-30 win.

Andover then moved on to face Hyde-Woodstock, where Andover improved its bout total, gaining 10 pins from a wide variety of wrestlers, some of whom either wrestled in their first match of the season or recorded their first pin of the year.

Will Park '11 made his varsity debut against Governors, recording a pin after escaping with time running out on a nine-nine deadlock, while Faiyad Ahmad '10 recorded his first pin of the year.

Andover crushed Hyde 67-6, and then proceeded to cruise by Tilton with a perfect score of 75-0.

Multiple Andover wrestlers won by forfeit against Tilton.

The remaining wrestlers recorded two pins and one regular decision.

The pins of Co-Captain Shaun Stuer '09 were a highlight of the quad meet.

Andover's leadership this year has helped pushed the dynamic team thus far.

Coach Gorham said, "This team has great senior leadership. Sam Dodge, Chris Latham, Alex Gottfried, Ben Elder and Scott Sanderson, as well as Co-Captains Shaun Stuer and Reid Mosquera, have been the core of the team for three years. When they were Lowers, the team was just 9-10 in dual meets, but they came together at the league tournament and over-achieved with a second place finish."

He continued, "Over the last two years, they worked very hard in the off-season and blossomed as a group, and have gone 30-6 in duals. This is their time to shine. They have earned it."

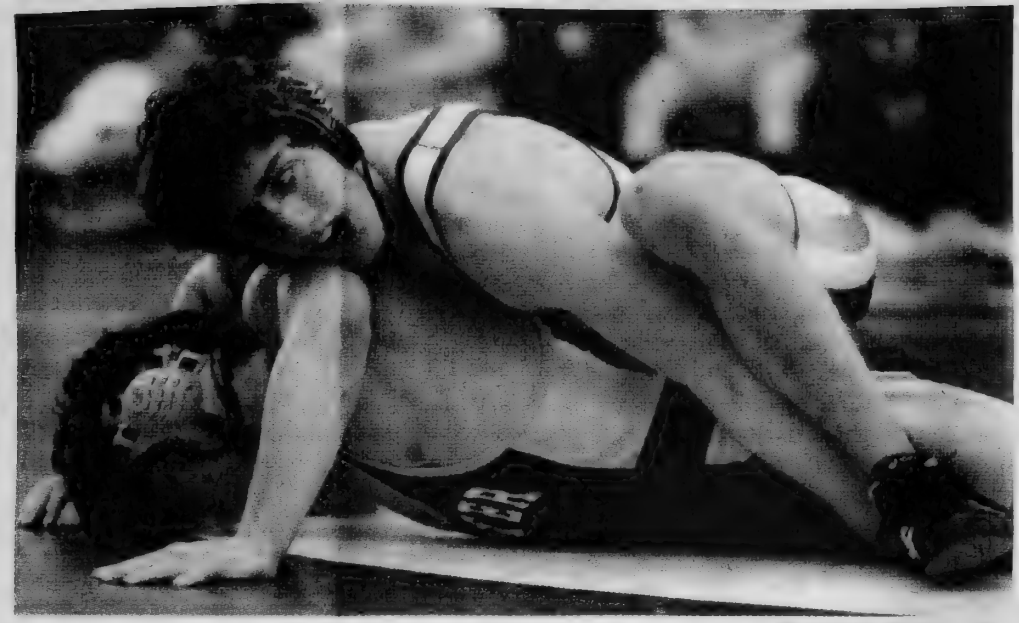
A sweep of the quad match-up was exactly what Andover needed going into the Northern New England Tournament this weekend.

The confidence level of the team is high. After Northern New Englands, Andover will travel to two end of the season tournaments.

These two tournaments, Class A's and New Englands, are where Andover plans to culminate a season of hard work and determination with a series of great performances from each member. of the team.

Y. WATANABE/ *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Duncan Crystal '10 twists to get position over his opponent in the quad meet.



Y. WATANABE/ *THE PHILLIPIA*

Ben Elder '09 wrestles his opponent from archrival Exeter to the mat on Wednesday.

WRESTLING

Wrestling Earns Top Seed at New England Invitational Tournament

By Kyle Leahy
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281.5 overall team points and undefeated Co-Captain Shaun Stuer '09 propelled Phillips Academy to the title at the Northern New England Invitational Tournament last weekend.

Andover sent 21 wrestlers into tournament action to compete against the best in New England. At the end of the day, seven of these wrestlers emerged as individual champions.

Led by Stuer, seven other wrestlers including Colton Dempsey '12, Duncan Crystal '10, Ryan Gaiss '11, Ben Elder '09, Scott Sanderson '09, and Sam Dodge '09 also found victory.

Among these wrestlers, 20 pins were recorded. Eight other wrestlers also placed in the top four for their weight class, led by a second place finish from Alex Gottfried '09.

This past Wednesday, Andover wrestled against historic rival Phillips Exeter Academy. Andover carried over its domination to the home meet against Exeter.

To open the meet, Andover went on a 20-0 point streak, not allowing their opponents to score a single point until the 145 pound weight class faced off. At the end of the day, Exeter was held to 28 team points, while Andover racked up 46.

Stuer capped the dual meet season by going undefeated for the second consecutive year, pushing his career total record to 44-0.

Andover's busy schedule continues, with the Class A Invitational at Tabor Academy this Saturday. This continual competition seems to be the force behind a surging team.

With quad and dual meets every week, along with rigorous practices daily, the Andover boys are gaining confidence and toughness. "This is a team that wants to work hard. When we have really tough practices, they are happier," said Coach Gorham.

Class A's will be Andover's first chance to avenge their early season loss to NMH on one of the biggest stages of the year. Last year, Andover finished a tough second to NMH. This year, Andover holds much more talent in many more weight classes.

Its strong freshman class has played a large role in successfully holding off high-ranking teams such as Loomis, Tabor, Choate and Episcopal Academy.

The season is winding down, but the most exhilarating action is yet to unfold.

Wrestling Brings Home Class A Championship

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Dan McMurtrie '10 wrestled his Williston opponent to the ground at last Saturday's championship . He took fourth place.

Andover Beats Out NMH By Slim Margin; Co-Captain Stuer '09 Named Tournament MVP

By Kyle Leahy
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

After last year's heartbreaking loss to nemisis NMH in front of a home crowd, Andover refused to let the championship slip away again in this year's Class A wrestling championships.

Trailing by less than six points, and with hopes of avenging their second place finish in 2008, senior heavyweight Alex Gottfried '09 earned a regular decision in the final bout of the day to pull Andover ahead of NMH and clinch the title.

Andover wrestling made the trip to Tabor Academy for the annual Class A championships to face off against a competitive field of 13 teams.

Andover won the tournament by just one-and-a-half points, the closest Class A Championship for any team since 1999, which Andover also won by 3 points.

Gottfried wrestled against the same opponent who beat him in the Northern New England tournament just one week beforehand.

In the end, Gottfried controlled his foe, and earned a convincing 6-2 win, which gave Andover the slim victory, 253-251.5.

"Coach wouldn't tell us what the team scores were, so I didn't know at the time that my match would decide the tournament," Gottfried.

"I started to figure it out from the way the crowd was reacting, with the NMH coaches coaching my opponent from Worcester, and pretty much the rest of the room rooting for me so we could knock off NMH."

All of Andover's 13 wrestlers placed in the top four in their weight class, including three overall individual champions, who combined for five pins.

This year's team joins the 1970, 1971 and 1999 Andover teams as Class A champions.

Co-Captain Shaun Stuer '09, who extended his perfect season, led the way and repeated his 2008 title to become only the eighth wrestler in school history to be a two-time champion.

Stuer was also named the winner of the Ted Seabrooke Award given to the tournament's most valuable wrestler. Stuer was seeded #1 going into the tournament, and he successfully defended his title.

"For me personally, my number one goal on the season was to beat NMH at Class A's after they beat us in our own gym last year" said Stuer after his dominating performance.

Duncan Crystal '10 and Ryan Gaiss '11 were also individual champions, and Colton Dempsey '12, Ben Elder '09 and Sam Dodge '09 each placed second.

Brandon Sneider '12, Scott Sanderson '09 and Alex Gottfried '09 took third and Brian Hanafin '12 Anthony Tedesco '12, Chris Latham '09 and Dan Mc-

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Gottfried '09 Comes Through

Timely Performance Secures Victory

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Murtrie '10 all placed fourth.

As has been true throughout the year, Andover's teamwork and incredible camaraderie have been the sparkplugs of a very successful season.

Nothing displayed this more vividly than Class A's, in which each wrestler elevated his game to the next level to bring Andover the championship.

A top four finish has qualified the entire Andover squad for a spot at the New England Tournament at Avon Old farms, and a top three finish permits 9 wrestlers to attend the National Prep Tournament this weekend at Lehigh University in Pennsylvania.

"It was obvious that NMH was a bunch of talented individuals, but we were an outstanding team," said Stuer. "That was the difference in the end. It's hard for me to even articulate just how proud I am of my teammates."

16th Place at National Tournament Marks Best Finish in School History

By Kyle Leahy
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Senior Co-Captain Shaun Stuer's 6th place finish at the 2009 Prep School National Championships was the highlight in Andover's 16th place finish out of 123 schools.

This past weekend, Andover traveled to Lehigh University in Pennsylvania to compete against the top wrestlers in the nation.

Overall, Andover's eight representing wrestlers totaled 56 overall points, earning them a 16th place finish. Both the point total and the finish school bests in the last 20 years. The wrestlers recorded a win-loss record of 17-14, and for the second straight year, the Andover boys were the second highest scoring New England Prep team, behind NMH.

Stuer himself entered the tournament as the third seed at 189 lbs, looking to better his fifth-place finish last year.

He opened the tournament with four straight wins, three of which were pins, and the final of the four coming in a grueling overtime thriller.

His victories took him into the semi-final against the #2 seed from The McDonogh School in Maryland, in which he suffered a tough loss 4-2.

Eventually, Stuer sustained a shoulder injury, and dropped down to a strong sixth place finish, earning him Prep All-American honors. With the sixth place finish, Stuer has become the second Andover wrestler along with Dan Schvartsman '02 to be a place winner twice at Nationals.

With 71 victories in his Andover career, he has now become #9 in the school's career wins category.

Along with the captain, Colton Dempsey '12 at 125 lbs turned in an extremely impressive tournament. Despite falling just short of a top eight finish after winning three bouts and losing in the round of 12, Dempsey had a lot to show for his work.

Coach Rich Gorham referred to the solid performance by Dempsey as, "Perhaps the best Nationals performance ever by an Andover Junior."

Sam Dodge '09 went 2-0, including a win versus the #10 seed. Unfortunately, Dodge suffered an injury in his second bout, and had to withdraw from competition.

Ryan Gaiss '11 entered the tournament as the #8 seed, and went 3-2.

After losing his first bout, he rebounded with back-to-back victories, both of which were by pins. Eventually, Gaiss lost a strong matchup with the #12 seed in his weight class.

While the rest of the school travels to Exeter this weekend, Wrestling will go south to Avon Old Farms in Connecticut for the Prep New England Tournament, featuring a powerful 54-team field. Top competition will be rival NMH. After beating NMH in the Class A tournament, the New England Tournament will undoubtedly feature an NMH squad seeking revenge for a 1.5 point loss. Along with NMH, Belmont Hill and Roxbury-Latin will be challenging adversaries.

Said Coach Gorham, "I expect our six Seniors of Dodge Chris Latham, Stuer, Sanderson Ben Elder and Alex Gottfried to end their careers on a high note, and I expect our wrestlers to represent Andover with sportsmanship and pride."

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"Wednesday April 01, 2009"

LACROSSE B V	**BELMONT HILL**	**H**	**3:30**	
LACROSSE G V	Middlesex	A	3:15	SCRIMMAGE
SOFTBALL G V	**GOVERNOR'S**	**H**	**3:15**	
TENNIS B V	B. B. & N	A	3:00	SCRIMMAGE
TENNIS B V	**B. B. & N.**	**H**	**3:00**	

"Thursday, April 02, 2009"

VOLLEYBALL B V	**CENTRAL CATHOLIC**	**H**	**3:45**	**SCRIMMAGE**

"Friday, April 03, 2009"

TENNIS G V	**GROTON**	**H**	**4:30**

"Saturday, April 04, 2009"

BASEBALL B V	**BRIDGTON ACADEMY**	**H**	**2:00**
BASEBALL B JV1	**ST. JOHN'S PREP**	**H**	**2:00**
GOLF V	Tabor	A	3:00
LACROSSE G V	**NOBLE & GREENOUGH.**	**H**	**2:00**
SOFTBALL G V	**ANDOVER/NOBLES/LOWELL**	**H**	**2:30**
TENNIS B V	Taft	A	4:15
TENNIS G V	Deerfield	A	3:00
TRACK & FIELD	**ANDOVER/READING**	**H**	**2:00**
TRACK & FIELD B JV	**ANDOVER/READING**	**H**	**2:00**
TRACK & FIELD G V	**ANDOVER/READING**	**H**	**2:00**
TRACK & FIELD G JV	**ANDOVER/READING**	**H**	**2:00**
WATER POLO G V	Loomis/Hopkins	A	4:15

"Monday, April 06, 2009"

LACROSSE B V	Brooks	A	4:30	
TENNIS G V	**ANDOVER HS**	**H**	**3:30**	**SCRIMMAGE**
TENNIS G VB	**ANDOVER HS**	**H**	**3:30**	**SCRIMMAGE**

"Wednesday, April 08, 2009"

BASEBALL B V	Tabor	A	3:15
BASEBALL B JV1	Cushing	A	3:15
GOLF V	**EXETER/GA**	**H**	**2:30**
LACROSSE B V	N.M.H	A	3:30
LACROSSE B JV2	**GOVERNOR'S**	**H**	**3:00**
LACROSSE G V	**DEERFIELD**	**H**	**3:45**
LACROSSE G JV1	**DEERFIELD**	**H**	**3:45**
SOFTBALL G JV	**ST. MARK'S**	**H**	**3:15**
TENNIS G VB	**TABOR**	**H**	**3:30**
ULTIMATE	Newton North Ultimate	A	3:30
WATER POLO G V	**EXETER**	**H**	**3:00**

"Thursday, April 09, 2009"

GOLF V	**BELMONT HILL**	**H**	**3:45**

"Friday, April 10, 2009"

BASEBALL B V	**BELMONT HILL**	**H**	**4:30**
GOLF JV	**GOVERNOR'S**	**H**	**4:15**
LACROSSE B JV1	**GOVERNOR'S**	**H**	**4:30**
LACROSSE B JV2	Belmont Hill	A	4:30
LACROSSE G V	Pingree	A	4:30
LACROSSE G JV2	Milton	A	4:30
SOFTBALL G V	**NOBLE HS**	**H**	**4:00**
TENNIS B V	Groton	A	4:30
TENNIS B VB	Milton	A	4:30
TENNIS B JV	Milton	A	4:30
TENNIS G VB	**GOVERNOR'S**	**H**	**4:15**
TENNIS G JV	**GOVERNOR'S**	**H**	**4:15**

"Saturday, April 11, 2009"

BASEBALL B JV1	**PINGREE**	**H**	**2:30**
CREW B V	Kent	A	2:00
CREW G V	Kent	A	2:00
LACROSSE B V	**TILTON**	**H**	**3:00**
SOFTBALL G JV	**MILTON**	**H**	**2:00**
TENNIS G V	**PINGREE**	**H**	**2:30**
TRACK & FIELD B V	Deerfield/Taft	A	3:00
TRACK & FIELD G V	Deerfield/Taft	A	3:00
VOLLEYBALL B V	N.M.H.	A	1:30
VOLLEYBALL B JV	N.M.H.	A	1:30
WATER POLO G V	**LOOMIS/SUFFIELD**	**H**	**1:45**

"Monday, April 13, 2009"

BASEBALL B JV2	**ST. JOHN'S PREP**	**H**	**3:45**
GOLF V	Newton Country Day	A	4:15

"Tuesday, April 14, 2009"

TENNIS B JV	**ANDOVER HS**	**H**	**3:30**

"Wednesday, April 15, 2009"

BASEBALL B V	**CUSHING**	**H**	**3:15**
GOLF V	**HOLDERNESS**	**H**	**3:15**
LACROSSE B V	Brewster Academy	A	4:00
LACROSSE B JV2	**AUSTIN PREP**	**H**	**3:30**
LACROSSE G V	**ST. PAUL'S**	**H**	**3:30**
LACROSSE G JV1	**ST. PAUL'S**	**H**	**5:00**
SOFTBALL G JV	**LAWRENCE ACADEMY**	**H**	**3:00**
TENNIS B V	Tabor	A	3:15
TENNIS B VB	Tabor	A	3:15
TENNIS G V	Hotchkiss@Deerfield	A	3:15
TENNIS B VB	**ST. PAUL'S**	**H**	**3:15**
TENNIS G JV	**TILTON**	**H**	**2:30**
ULTIMATE	CSW	A	3:30
WATER POLO B V	**WILLISTON NORTHHAMPTON**	**H**	**3:30**

"Friday, April 17, 2009"

BASEBALL B V	B. B. & N.	A	4:45
BASEBALL B JV2	**GR. LAWRENCE TECH**	**H**	**3:30**
LACROSSE B JV1	Pingree	A	4:45
LACROSSE G JV1	Shore Country Day	A	4:00
SOFTBALL G V	Middlesex	A	4:45
TENNIS B V	**ST. PAUL'S**	**H**	**4:45**
TENNIS B VB	Concord Academy	A	4:30
TENNIS G V	**NOBLE & GREENOUGH**	**H**	**4:45**
TENNIS B JV	**MILTON**	**H**	**4:45**

"Saturday, April 18, 2009"

BASEBALL B V	Worcester	A	12:00 DH
CREW B V	St. John's/Simsbury/Exeter	A	2:00
CREW G V	PA/PEA Invitational	A	2:00
GOLF JV	Tabor	A	2:30
LACROSSE B V	**HYDE (ME)**	**H**	**3:30**
LACROSSE B JV1	**HYDE (ME)**	**H**	**3:30**
LACROSSE G V	**GROTON**	**H**	**1:30**
SOFTBALL G V	**CHOATE**	**H**	**1:30**
TENNIS G V	Choate	A	2:00
TENNIS G VB	Coate	A	2:00
TRACK & FIELD B V	Exeter/St. Paul's/Milton	A	2:30
TRACK & FIELD G V	Exeter/St. Paul's/Milton	A	2:30
VOLLEYBALL B V	Choate	A	3:15
VOLLEYBALL B JV	Choate	A	3:15
WATER POLO G V	Suffield/Hotchkiss	A	3:30

"Tuesday, April 21, 2009"

LACROSSE B JV1	**CENTRAL CATHOLIC**	**H**	**3:45**
VOLLEYBALL B V	**ST. JOHN'S PREP**	**H**	**3:45**

"Wednesday, April 22, 2009"

BASEBALL B V	Pingree	A	3:30
BASEBALL B JV2	Belmont Hill	A	3:00
CREW G V	**GROTON**	**H**	**2:00**
CYCLING	Hosted by Holderness	A	3:15
GOLF V	**PROCTOR**	**H**	**3:30**
LACROSSE B V	**HOLDERNESS**	**H**	**3:30**
LACROSSE B JV2	**BROOKWOOD SCHOOL**	**H**	**3:30**
LACROSSE G V	N.M.H.	A	3:30
LACROSSE G JV2	**ANDOVER HS**	**H**	**3:30**
SOFTBALL G JV	**GOVERNOR'S**	**H**	**3:00**
TENNIS B JV	Belmont Hill	A	3:00
TENNIS G VB	Winsor	A	3:00
TENNIS G JV	Winsor	A	4:00
ULTIMATE JV	**BELMONT HILL**	**H**	**3:30**
ULTIMATE	Concord Academy	A	3:15
WATER POLO G V	**N.M.H.**	**H**	**3:45**

"Thursday, April 23, 2009"

TENNIS G VB	**CENTRAL CATHOLIC**	**H**	**3:30**

"Friday, April 24, 2009"

BASEBALL B JV2	**BROOKS**	**H**	**4:30**
GOLF V	**DANA HALL**	**H**	**3:30**
LACROSSE B JV2	Pinkerton	A	5:00
SOFTBALL G V	**NEW HAMPTON**	**H**	**4:15**
TENNIS B V	**ROXBURY LATIN**	**H**	**4:30**
TENNIS G V	B. B. & N.	A	5:00

"Saturday, April 25, 2009"

BASEBALL B V	**N.M.H..**	**H**	**12:00 DH**
BASEBALL JV1	**ANDOVER HS**	**H**	**2:00**
CREW B V	Salisbury/Brunswick	A	3:00
GOLF V	Andover Invitational	A	12:00
LACROSSE B V	**DEERFIELD**	**H**	**6:30**
LACROSSE B JV1	**DEERFIELD**	**H**	**3:30**
LACROSSE G V	**TAFT**	**H**	**3:30**
LACROSSE G JV1	Pinkerton	A	12:30
LACROSSE G JV2	**CENTRAL CATHOLIC**	**H**	**2:00**
SOFTBALL G V	**EXETER/CUSHING/TABOR**	**H**	**2:00**
TENNIS B V	Deerfield	A	2:45
TENNIS B VB	Deerfield	A	2:45
TENNIS B JV	**GOVERNOR'S**	**H**	**1:30**
TENNIS G V	Exeter	A	12:45
TENNIS G VB	Exeter	A	12:45
TENNIS G JV	Exeter	A	12:45
TRACK & FIELD B V	**N.M.H./MILTON/LAWRENCE**	**H**	**2:00**
TRACK & FIELD B JV	**N.M.H./MILTON/LAWRENCE**	**H**	**2:00**
TRACK & FIELD G V	**N.M.H./MILTON/LAWRENCE**	**H**	**2:00**
TRACK & FIELD G JV	**N.M.H./MILTON/LAWRENCE**	**H**	**2:00**
VOLLEYBALL B V	**N.M.H.**	**H**	**1:45**
VOLLEYBALL B JV	**N.M.H.**	**H**	**1:45**

"Sunday, April 26, 2009"

CREW G V	Lowell Invitational	A	10:00
CYCLING	Hosted by Gould Academy	A	11:00
ULTIMATE	Andover HS	A	10:00

"Monday, April 27, 2009"

BASEBALL B V	Brooks	A	4:15
TENNIS B VB	**ST. JOHN'S PREP**	**H**	**4:00**
ULTIMATE JV	**NORTH READING**	**H**	**3:45**

"Wednesday, April 29, 2009"

BASEBALL B JV1	Belmont Hill	A	3:00
BASEBALL B JV2	**PINGREE**	**H**	**3:30**
CYCLING	Hosted by KUA	A	3:15
GOLF V	St. Mark's	A	3:00
LACROSSE B V	**TABOR**	**H**	**3:30**
LACROSSE B JV1	**TABOR**	**H**	**3:30**
LACROSSE G V	Governor's	A	3:00
LACROSSE G JV1	Governor's	A	3:00
SOFTBALL G V	**EXETER**	**H**	**2:45**
TENNIS B V	**EXETER**	**H**	**2:30**
TENNIS B VB	**EXETER**	**H**	**2:30**
TENNIS B JV	**EXETER**	**H**	**2:30**
ULTIMATE	**LEXINGTON HS**	**H**	**3:30**
ULTIMATE JV	**LEXINGTON HS**	**H**	**3:30**
VOLLEYBALL B V	**ANDOVER HS**	**H**	**3:45**
VOLLEYBALL B JV	**ANDOVER HS**	**H**	**3:45**
WATER POLO G V	**LOOMIS**	**H**	**4:00**

"Thursday, April 30, 2009"

LACROSSE G JV2	**ANDOVER HS**	**H**	**3:30**

"Friday, May 1, 2009"

LACROSSE B JV2	**PINGREE**	**H**	**4:30**
LACROSSE G JV1	**BERWICK ACADEMY**	**H**	**4:30**
TENNIS B V	Milton	A	4:30
TENNIS G JV	Newton Country Day	A	4:30

"Saturday, May 02, 2009"

BASEBALL B V	**EXETER**	**H**	**3:00**	**DH**
BASEBALL B JV1	**CENTRAL CATHOLIC**	**H**	**3:00**	
BASEBALL B JV2	St. Paul's	A	3:30	
CREW B V	**ST. PAUL'S /CRI**	**H**	**3:30**	
CREW G V	**ST. PAUL'S/CR**	**H**	**3:30**	
CYCLING	Hosted by Exeter	A	3:00	
GOLF V	Deerfield	A	3:30	
LACROSSE B V	Loomis	A	4:45	
LACROSSE B JV1	Loomis	A	4:45	
LACROSSE G V	Tabor	A	4:00	
LACROSSE G JV1	Tabor	A	5:15	
SOFTBALL G V	Worcester	A	3:30	DH
TRACK & FIELD B V	Loomis/NMH	A	4:00	
TRACK & FIELD G V	Loomis/NMH	A	4:00	
ULTIMATE	Amherst Tournament	A	9:00	
VOLLEYBALL B V	Loomis	A	4:30	
VOLLEYBALL B JV	Loomis	A	4:30	
WATER POLO G V	Deerfield/Choate	A	3:45	

"Sunday, May 03, 2009"

ULTIMATE	Amherst Tournament	A	9:00

"Tuesday, May 05, 2009"

VOLLEYBALL B V	**CENTRAL CATHOLIC**	**H**	**3:45**
VOLLEYBALL B JV	**CENTRAL CATHOLIC**	**H**	**3:45**

"Wednesday, May 06, 2009"

BASEBALL B V	Cushing	A	3:15
BASEBALL B JV2	**GR. LAWRENCE TECH**	**H**	**3:30**
CYCLING	Hosted by Proctor	A	3:15
GOLF V	B. B. & N /Middlesex	A	3:30
GOLF JV	**TABOR**	**H**	**3:00**
LACROSSE B V	**WORCESTER**	**H**	**4:00**
LACROSSE G V	Milton	A	3:15
LACROSSE G JV1	**MILTON**	**H**	**3:30**
LACROSSE G JV2	**BROOKWOOD SCHOOL**	**H**	**3:30**
SOFTBALL G V	**B. B. & N.**	**H**	**3:15**
TENNIS B VB	**MILTON**	**H**	**3:15**
TENNIS B JV	**PINGREE**	**H**	**3:15**
TENNIS G V	Milton	A	3:15
TENNIS G JV	Middlesex	A	3:00
TRACK & FIELD B V	**CUSHING**	**H**	**3:30**
TRACK & FIELD G V	**CUSHING**	**H**	**3:30**
ULTIMATE	Masconomet	A	3:30
ULTIMATE JV	Masconomet	A	3:30
WATER POLO G V	Exeter	A	3:00

"Thursday, May 07, 2009"

LACROSSE G JV2	**CENTRAL CATHOLIC**	**H**	**3:45**	

"Friday, May 08, 2009"

BASEBALL B V	**NOBLE & GREENOUGH**	**H**	**4:45**	
BASEBALL B JV1	**GOVERNOR'S**	**H**	**4:30**	
SOFTBALL G V	**LAWRENCE ACADEMY**	**H**	**4:30**	

"Saturday, May 09, 2009"

BASEBALL B V	Deerfield	A	1:15	DH
BASEBALL B JV1	**CENTRAL CATHOLIC**	**H**	**2:30**	
BASEBALL B JV2	Deerfield	A	1:45	
CREW B V	**TABOR/ECETER**	**H**	**3:00**	
CREW B JV	**TABOR/EXETER**	**H**	**3:00**	
CREW G V	**TABOR/EXETER**	**H**	**3:00**	
CYCLING	Hosted by Profile	A	3:15	
GOLF V	GA/Exeter	A	2:00	
LACROSSE B V	K.U.A.	A	3:00	
LACROSSE B JV1	**AUSTIN PREP**	**H**	**2:30**	
LACROSSE G V	**LOOMIS**	**H**	**2:30**	
LACROSSE G JV1	**LOOMIS**	**H**	**3:45**	
SOFTBALL G V	Deerfield	A	1:45	
TENNIS B V	**CHOATE**	**H**	**2:30**	
TENNIS B VB	**CHOATE**	**H**	**2:30**	
TENNIS G V	**LOOMIS**	**H**	**1:00**	
VOLLEYBALL B V	**CHOATE**	**H**	**2:30**	
VOLLEYBALL B JV	**CHOATE**	**H**	**2:30**	
WATER POLO G V	Deerfield/Suffield	A	2:00	

"Tuesday, May 12, 2009"

GOLF V GIRLS	24th GIRLS GOLF TOURNAMENT	A	8:00	
BASEBALL B JV1	**LAWRENCE HS**	**H**	**4:15**	
SOFTBALL G JV	**LAWRENCE HS**	**H**	**4:15**	
TENNIS B V	**ANDOVER HS**	**H**	**3:30**	
TENNIS B VB	**ANDOVER HS**	**H**	**3:30**	
VOLLEYBALL B V	**LAWRENCE HS**	**H**	**4:15**	

"Wednesday, May 13, 2009"

BASEBALL B V	**TABOR**	**H**	**3:15**	
BASEBALL B JV2	**EXETER**	**H**	**2:30**	
CREW B V	**BELMONT HILL**	**H**	**3:00**	
CYCLING	Hosted by New Hampton	A	3:15	
LACROSSE B JV2	**BERWICK ACADEMY**	**H**	**3:30**	
LACROSSE G V	Thayer	A	4:15	
LACROSSE G JV1	Thayer	A	3:00	
TENNIS B VB	**FESSENDEN**	**H**	**3:30**	
TENNIS G JV	**PIKE SCHOOL**	**H**	**3:00**	
TENNIS G V	Thayer	A	3:00	
ULTIMATE	**MILTON**	**H**	**3:00**	
WATER POLO G V	Play In	A	2:00	

"Thursday, May 14, 2009"

ULTIMATE JV	**ANDOVER HS**	**H**	**3:45**	

"Friday, May 15, 2009"

BASEBALL B JV1	**LOWELL TECH**	**H**	**3:45**	
LACROSSE G V	**LAWRENCE ACADEMY**	**H**	**6:30**	
LACROSSE G JV2	**PIKE SCHOOL**	**H**	**3:30**	
SOFTBALL G JV	Lawrence Academy	A	4:30	
TENNIS B JV	**ANDOVER HS**	**H**	**3:30**	
TENNIS G V	**ANDOVER HS**	**H**	**3:30**	
TENNIS G VB	**BROOKS**	**H**	**4:30**	

"Saturday, May 16, 2009"

BASEBALL B V	Tournament	A	12:30	
CREW B V	N.M.H.	A	1:00	
CREW G V	N.M.H.	A	1:00	
CYCLING	Exeter	A	2:00	
GOLF V	Exeter/GA	A	2:00	
LACROSSE B V	**CHOATE**	**H**	**5:00**	
LACROSSE B JV1	**CHOATE**	**H**	**5:00**	
LACROSSE B JV2	Governor's	A	2:00	
SOFTBALL G V	**BIG EAST TOURNAMENT**	**H**	**9:00**	
TENNIS B V	Tournament	A	9:30	
TENNIS B VB	Cushing	A	2:00	
TENNIS B JV	Cushing	A	2:00	
TENNIS G VB	**DEERFIELD**	**H**	**1:45**	
TENNIS G JV	Brooks	A	1:30	
TRACK & FIELD B V	**INTERSCHOLS**	**H**	**10:00**	
TRACK & FIELD G V	**INTERSCHOLS**	**H**	**10:00**	
ULTIMATE	NEPSUL Tournament	A	9:00	
VOLLEYBALL B V	Tournament	A	1:30	
WATER POLO G V	Tournament	A	10:30	

"Sunday, May 17, 2009"

SOFTBALL G V	**BIG EAST TOURNAMENT**	**H**	**9:00**	

"Monday, May 18, 2009"

BASEBALL B JV1	**ANDOVER HS**	**H**	**3:45**	
LACROSSE G JV1	**PINKERTON**	**H**	**4:00**	
LACROSSE G JV2	**TOWER SCHOOL**	**H**	**3:45**	

"Wednesday, May 20, 2009"

BASEBALL B JV1	**MALDEN CATHOLIC**	**H**	**3:30**	
BASEBALL B JV2	**MILTON**	**H**	**3:15**	
LACROSSE B V	**POMFRET**	**H**	**2:00**	
LACROSSE B JV1	**PINKERTON**	**H**	**4:00**	
LACROSSE B JV2	**PINKERTON**	**H**	**4:00**	
LACROSSE G V	Brooks	A	2:45	
LACROSSE G JV1	Brooks	A	2:45	
LACROSSE G JV2	**MILTON**	**H**	**3:15**	
SOFTBALL G V	Brooks	A	2:45	
SOFTBALL G JV	St. Mark's	A	3:15	
TENNIS B V	Exeter	A	2:30	
TENNIS B VB	Exeter	A	2:30	
TENNIS B JV	Exeter	A	2:30	
TENNIS G V	**EXETER**	**H**	**2:30**	
TENNIS G VB	**EXETER**	**H**	**2:30**	
TENNIS G JV	**EXETER**	**H**	**2:30**	
ULTIMATE	**EXETER**	**H**	**3:30**	

"Thursday, May 21, 2009"

CLUSTER ULTIMATE CHAMPIONSHIP		**H**	**3:15**	

"Friday, May 22, 2009"

LACROSSE B V	Exeter	A	7:00	
LACROSSE G V	Exeter	A	4:45	
LACROSSE G JV1	Exeter	A	4:45	
ULTIMATE	Andover HS	A	7:45	

"Saturday, May 23, 2009"

BASEBALL B V	Exeter	A	2:00	
BASEBALL B JV1	Exeter	A	2:00	
CREW B V	Interscholastics	A	10:00	
CREW GV	Interscholastics	A	8:00	
LACROSSE B JV1	Exeter	A	2:00	
SOFTBALL G V	Exeter	A	1:00	DH
TENNIS B V	Tournament	A	9:00	
TENNIS G V	NEPSAC	A	9:30	
TRACK & FIELD B V	Exeter	A	2:00	
TRACK & FIELD B JV	Exeter	A	2:00	
TRACK & FIELD G V	Exeter	A	2:00	
TRACK & FIELD G JV	Exeter	A	2:00	

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Team Results: Spring 2009

Baseball	14-6-0	Reached NE Finals
Boys Crew	2-0-0	1st @ Interschols 2nd @ Nationals
Girls Crew	0-2-0	2nd @ Interschols
Cycling	8-0-0	2nd @ Interschols
Golf	5-5-2	
Boys Lacrosse	7-4-0	
Girls Lacrosse	9-6-0	
Softball	15-3-0	Reached NE Quarterfinals
Boys Tennis	9-4-0	Reached NE Finals
Girls Tennis	11-1-0	2nd @ Interschols
Boys Track	6-0-0	2nd @ Interschols
Girls Track	7-0-0	1st @ Interschols
Ultimate	15-2-0	Reached NE Finals
Boys Volleyball	4-7-0	
Girls Waterpolo	6-9-0	

Sport: Baseball

Year: 2009

Captains: Geoffrey Lynch, Anthony Morlani

Coach: Andy Cline

Assistant Coaches: Jonny Nicholson, Kevin Graber

Season Record

Won 14 Lost 6 Tied 0

Reached NE Finals

Letterwinners

Burdeau, Zachary
Doyle, John
Lynch, Geoffrey capt.
Hutton, Jeremy
Siraco, Michael
Clark, Samuel
Palleschi, Thomas

Auffant, Samuel
Hamel, Thomas
Carroccio, Bennett
Cameron, Christopher
Morlani, Anthony capt.
Elder, Zachary
Stowell, Glenn
DiFronzo, Michael

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2009 Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Yr	Hometown
2	DiFronzo, Michael	INF	2011	North Reading, MA
3	Siraco, Michael	P, INF	2009	Tewksbury, MA
5	Cameron, Christopher	INF	2011	Reading, MA
6	Doyle, John	P, INF	2010	Reading, MA
11	Stowell, Glenn	P, OF	2009	Hadley, MA
14	Morlani, Anthony capt.	C, OF	2009	Wilmington, MA
15	Elder, Zachary	C, OF	2011	Lexington, KY
16	Burdeau, Zachary	P, INF	2009	Andover, MA
17	Lynch, Geoffrey capt.	C, OF	2009	Georgetown, MA
19	Hutton, Jeremy	P, OF	2011	Bellevue, WA
23	Carroccio, Bennett	OF	2010	Armonk, NY
24	Clark, Samuel	P, 1B	2009	Andover, MA
29	Palleschi, Thomas	P, 1B	2012	Haverhill, MA
33	Auffant, Samuel	P, OF	2009	Hampton, NH
45	Hamel, Thomas	P, 1B	2010	Methuen, MA

Coach: Andy Cline
Assistant Çoach: Jonny Nicholson & Kevin Graber

Managers; Ellen Blindauer '10 & Stephanie Colello '09

Schedule and Record

Record: 14/6/0

DATE/TIME	OPPONENT	H/A	TYPE	SCORE
4/7 @ 3:30 PM	Bridgton Academy	H	Game	W 5-2
4/8 @ 3:30 PM	Tabor Academy	A	Game	W 11-0
4/10 @ 4:30 PM	Belmont Hill	H	Game	W 7-6
4/15 @ 3:15 PM	Cushing Academy	H	Game	W 11-8
4/17 @ 4:45 PM	B. B. & N.	A	Game	L 1-11
4/18 @ 12:00 PM	Worcester Academy	A	Game	W 9-5
4/18 @ 3:00 PM	Worcester	A	Game	L 5-16
4/22 @ 3:30 PM	Pingree School	A	Game	Rain out
4/25 @ 12:00 PM	Northfield Mount Hermon	H	Game	W 8-1
4/25 @ 3:00 PM	Northfield Mount Hermon	H	Game	W 10-1
4/27 @ 4:15 PM	Brooks School	A	Game	W 11-0
5/2 @ 3:00 PM	Phillips Exeter Academy	H	Game	L 7-8
5/2 @ 3:00 PM	Phillips Exeter Academy	H	Game	L 4-5
5/6 @ 3:15 PM	Cushing Academy	A	Game	W 9-3
5/8 @ 4:45 PM	Noble &Greenough	H	Game	W 22-1
5/9 @ 1:15 PM	Deerfield Academy	A	Game	L 0-7
5/9 @ 4:00 PM	Deerfield	A	Game	W 12-0
5/13 @ 3:15 PM	Tabor Academy	H	Game	W 5-4
5/16 @ 12:30 PM	Exeter	A	Tournament	W 1-0
5/16 @ 3:00 PM	Deerfield	A	Tournament	L 4-3
5/23 @ 2:00 PM	Phillips Exeter Academy	A	Game	W 6-3

Bridgton

4/7/2009

The varsity baseball team opened their season on Tuesday, with a 5-2 victory over the visiting Bridgton Wolverines at Phelps Park. Jack Doyle '10 started on the mound for the Blue and pitched 5 strong innings, allowing just one earned run on 6 hits and no walks. The PA offense only managed 3 hits but took advantage of some Bridgton miscues and heads-up baserunning. Mike DiFronzo '11 walked to lead off the bottom of the first and gave Andover a 1-0 lead when he raced home from second when Sam Clark '09 reached on an infield error. PA added a single run in the second inning and rallied for three more in the fourth. Clark and Geoff Lynch '09 had RBI's in the frame. Tom Palleschi '12 relieved Doyle in the sixth and allowed a run on no hits over the last two innings. The Blue defense turned in a number of fine plays including a sharp double play from Clark to shortstop Mike Siraco '09 in the third and a great running catch by left- fielder Bennett Carroccio '10 to save two runs in the seventh. The team travels to Tabor to take on the Seawolves in the league opener on Wednesday before facing Belmont Hill on Friday afternoon at home.

Tabor

4/8/2009

Glenn Stowell '09 pitched a very strong 5 innings in his first start of the season, and the PA offense blew open a close game with a 9-run sixth inning rally on their way to an 11-0 win over league rival Tabor on Wednesday. It was a chilly afternoon in Marion, Mass. but the Andover bats warmed things up with 14 hits in the game. Anthony Morlani '09 led the way with 3 singles, and Mike DiFronzo '11, Tom Palleschi '12, Chris Cameron '11, and Jack Doyle '10 each had two hits. It was Palleschi's double to deep center field that ignited the decisive 6th-inning rally. Cameron followed with a single and a steal of second, then Doyle's well-placed bunt had him safe at first. DiFronzo drove in both runners with a double to center—his second 2-bagger of the game—and Morlani's hard-hit grounder found a hole up the middle for an RBI single. Before the inning was over Cameron and Doyle each picked up their second hit of the frame. Stowell struck out 5 and walked one in his 5 innings, and he received strong defensive support including a diving catch by Morlani in shallow center in the first. Tom Hamel '10 and Clark each pitched a scoreless inning to close out the game. The PA nine hosts Belmont Hill at Phelps Park Friday afternoon in a non-league game and then gets ready to face league foes Cushing and Worcester next week.

Belmont Hill

4/10/2009

A Sam Auffant '09 double to right center capped a 3-run rally in the bottom of the seventh that gave the Big Blue a 7-6 victory over Belmont Hill on Friday afternoon at Phelps Park. With PA trailing 6-4, Sam Clark '09 led off the bottom of the seventh by ripping a double down the third base line. After an infield out, Geoff Lynch '09 and Tom Palleschi '12 each worked the count to 3-2 and drew walks to load the bases. Pinch-hitter Jack Doyle '10 nearly ended the game with a grand slam, but his long blast to left fell about 10 feet foul. Doyle then struck out on a tough pitch, and the Belmont Hill catcher tried to pick off Palleschi at first. However, when the throw got by the first baseman, Clark and pinch-runner Zac Elder raced home to tie the game. That set the stage for Auffant, who responded by driving in Palleschi with the game-winner.

Clark was the starting pitcher for PA and worked four strong innings, allowing just 2 hits and a walk. Defensive miscues led to 3 unearned runs for Belmont Hill in the fourth, and walks produced another in the fifth. After PA tied the score at 4-4, the visitors put up 2 more runs in the top of the sixth off Auffant and Tam Hamel '10. Hamel, however, settled down and pitched a brilliant 1-2-3 seventh, and then the offense rewarded him with a win. Clark and Auffant each had 2 hits for the Blue, and five other players chipped in with 1 apiece. Zach Burdeau '09 led off the third inning by blasting a long triple to right center and racing home when the relay was not handled cleanly. The team faces a tough upcoming week with a home game on Wednesday versus Cushing, a Friday trip to Cambridge to face BB&N, and a Saturday doubleheader at Worcester Academy.

Cushing

4/15/2009

On a day when the Andover defense was not as steady as it has been, the offense stepped up to deliver a come-from-behind win against league rival Cushing. On a sunny afternoon at Phelps Park the home team jumped out to an early 6-0 lead with a big rally in the second inning, but Cushing battled back, leaving the outcome in doubt until the very end. The Blue sent 11 batters to the plate in the second and banged out 7 hits to grab the lead. Starting pitcher Glenn Stowell '09 held the visiting Penguins scoreless through 3 innings, but Cushing showed they would not fold and put 4 runs on the board in the top of the fourth. An RBI single by Zach Burdeau '09 got one run back for PA, making the score 7-4, but Cushing rallied again in the sixth to take an 8-7 lead. Responding to the challenge, the Andover offense put up 4 runs of their own in the last of the sixth, and Jack Doyle '10 pitched a scoreless seventh to secure the victory.

Sam Auffant '09 led off the sixth by beating out a roller to short. Mike DiFronzo '10 followed with a walk, and after the runners moved up on a wild pitch, Anthony Morlani '09 came through with a hit to left to drive in both. Sam Clark '09 and Bennett Carroccio '10 also had RBI's in the inning. Morlani, Auffant, Clark, and Tom Palleschi '12 each had 2 hits in the game, while Morlani tallied 3 RBI's and DiFronzo and Burdeau knocked in 2 apiece. Tom Hamel '10 picked up the win in relief, and Doyle earned a save. The team takes on BB&N

Friday afternoon in Cambridge and then travels to Gaskill Field in Worcester for a noon doubleheader against Worcester Academy on Saturday.

BBN

4/17/2009

Traveling to Cambridge on Friday afternoon, the PA varsity baseball team suffered its first loss of the season 11-1 to BB&N. Despite of the lopsided score, the Big Blue defense had one of its best days of the early season with strong play from youngsters Zak Elder '11 at third base, Tom Palleschi '12 at first base, and Chris Cameron '11, who played both second and short at different points in the game. Zach Burdeau '09 played well as the starting shortstop and pitched two solid innings of relief. Bennett Carroccio '10 had 3 hits for the Blue, and Palleschi had 2.

Worcester

4/18/2009

GAME 1

In a rematch of the two clubs that battled for 9 innings in the 2008 league championship game last May, the PA varsity baseball team traveled to Gaskill Field Saturday to take on the Worcester Academy Hilltoppers in a league doubleheader. Jack Doyle '10 pitched well for 5 innings, earning his second win, and got strong relief help from Glenn Stowell '09, as PA took the opener 9-5. Sparked by three hits from Sam Auffant '09, including a solo home run in the fourth, the Andover offense banged out 11 hits and scored in all but one inning. Bennett Carroccio '10 had 2 hits and 2 RBI's, and Tom Palleschi '12 also knocked in a pair with a key sixth-inning single. Zach Burdeau '09 got on base 4 times and scored 3 runs for the Blue. Anthony Morlani '09 played a strong game in centerfield and had an RBI triple in the seventh.

GAME 2

In the second game of Saturday's doubleheader, the Worcester offense put the pressure on PA with base runners in every inning, and ultimately broke the game open in the 5th and 6th innings for 16-5 victory and a split of the day's twin bill. Zach Burdeau '09 blasted a solo home run in the 3rd inning for the Blue, and a bases-clearing triple by Mike DiFronzo '11 highlighted a 4-run fourth inning that put Andover ahead 5-4. Sam Clark '09 pitched well through the fourth inning, but when he tired in the 5th, the PA relievers were not able to hold back the Hilltoppers. Geoff Lynch '09 had a strong game behind the plate, throwing out two runners attempting to steal. Chris Cameron '11 was 2-for-2 at the plate. Andover now stands at 5-2 on the season and 3-1 in the Central New England Prep League. The team travels to Pingree for a non-league game on Wednesday and then hosts Northfield Mount Hermon on Saturday for a league doubleheader.

NMH
4/25/2009

GAME 1

In the first game of Saturday's doubleheader, the Blue defeated Northfield-Mount Hermon 8-1 behind a complete game gem from senior left-hander Glenn Stowell, who scattered 4 hits and struck out 10 while allowing just one unearned run. The defense was strong in support of Stowell, and the offense chipped away. In the bottom of the first, Mike DiFronzo led off with a single and came around to score later in the inning on a wild pitch before Sam Clark's double plated Anthony Morlani for a 2-0 PA lead. The Blue scratched out single runs in the fourth and fifth, then exploded for 4 in the sixth. Chris Cameron started the rally with a single to left, and Sam Auffant followed with a bunt single. Before the inning was over Zach Burdeau had driven in 2 and Geoff Lynch and Clark each had RBI's. Burdeau had 3 hits in the game, DiFronzo, Clark, and Auffant each had 2 for Andover.

GAME 2

With a 10-1 victory in the second game of Saturday's doubleheader, the Blue completed a sweep of league rival NMH to improve the team's overall record to 7-2. Jack Doyle started for the home team and threw 6 innings of one-hit shutout ball to earn his third win. Mike DiFronzo and Anthony Morlani led the offense with 2 hits apiece while Tom Pallescki and Chris Cameron each had 2 RBI's. Geoff Lynch was excellent behind the plate catching all but one inning of the two games, and Sam Clark was exceptional at first base making play after play. The team travels to North Andover to play Brooks School on Monday and then hosts Exeter for a Saturday doubleheader on May 2.

Brooks
4/27/2009

On a beautiful Monday afternoon in North Andover, the Phillips Academy nine took on Brooks School in the first varsity baseball game between the two schools in many years. Playing on the picturesque Brooks diamond, the visiting Blue jumped in front in the first inning, scoring four runs before an out was recorded. Mike DiFronzo '11 sparked the rally with a lead-off double, and after Anthony Morlani '09 was hit by a pitch, Zach Burdeau '09 and Sam Clark '09 followed with RBI base hits. Geoff Lynch '09 then drew a walk, and Tom Palleschi '12 singled to plate Clark with the fourth run of the inning. PA added 2 more runs in the second, with Palleschi notching another RBI, and Chris Cameron's '11 aggressive baserunning, going from first to third on a passed ball, lead to a single run in the third inning. Sam Auffant '09 ripped an RBI triple in the fifth, then scored on DiFronzo's sacrifice fly, and Glenn Stowell '09 finished the scoring, driving in 2 runners with his sixth-inning single. Palleschi started on the mound for the Big Blue and pitched four shutout innings to earn his first win. He struck out 7, walked 4 and allowed only 3 hits, but had to work out of jams in

the second— with the help of a nifty Cameron double play—and the fourth—when Lynch threw out a Brooks runner attempting to steal. Auffant came on in relief, allowing two hits and a walk while striking out five in two strong innings. Tom Hamel '10 pitched a 1-2-3 seventh to close out the win for PA. The team has no game this Wednesday but will be back in action for a league doubleheader against Exeter at Phelps Park on Saturday afternoon.

Exeter

5/2/2009

GAME 1

In the first game of a Saturday doubleheader showdown, Exeter pushed across a run in the eighth inning to earn a 5-4 extra-inning win over the Blue. Andover scored first in the bottom of the first when Mike DiFronzo '11 singled, stole second, and scored on a Zach Burdeau '09 base hit. PEA responded with 2 in the third and 2 in the fourth to take a 4-1 lead, but the Blue battled back with a single run in the fourth—Anthony Morlani '09 scoring on a Sam Clark '09 RBI single—and two more in the fifth inning with Jack Doyle '10 and Bennett Carroccio '10 scoring as a result of some aggressive base running a wild pitch and then a sacrifice fly by Morlani. Overall, both pitchers, Andover's Glenn Stowell '09 and Exeter's Chris O'Hare were very strong, and the game remained deadlocked at 4-4 until the eighth. Clark had two hits and an RBI for PA.

GAME 2

Trailing 8-2 in the bottom of the seventh, the PA baseball team rallied for 5 runs to make it 8-7 and had the bases still loaded when Exeter was finally able to record the third out. Sam Clark '09 triggered the rally with a 3-run homer after Anthony Morlani '09 and Zach Burdeau '09 had each produced one-out singles. Geoff Lynch '09 and Tom Palleschi '12 followed with singles, and after a pop up for the second out, Mike Siraco '09 had a great at-bat, fouling off several 2-strike pitches before drawing a walk to load the bases. Chris Cameron '11 was hit by a pitch to force in a run, and Mike DiFronzo '11 drew a walk to plate one more. Morlani and Burdeau each had a pair of hits in the game, and Cameron had 2 RBI's. Jack Doyle '10 started on the mound for PA and pitched the first 5 innings with Clark coming in to pitch the last two. The doubleheader sweep by Exeter left both teams with identical 5-3 records in the Central New England Prep League, with the league tournament scheduled for May 16. But first PA will take on Cushing this Wednesday in Ashburnham followed by a home game vs. Nobles and a Saturday doubleheader at Deerfield.

Cushing
5/6/2009

Cushing in an important league match-up and came away with a 9-3 victory. The Blue scored runs in every inning but the fifth as they steadily built their lead. Sam Auffant had 3 hits on the day, while Mike DiFronzo '11 and Anthony Morlani '09 had 2 apiece. Morlani's 2 hits plus a sacrifice fly gave him 4 RBI's in the game. Tom Palleschi '12 started and pitched 4 and 1/3 innings to earn the win with relief help from Sam Clark '09 and Glenn Stowell '09. Catcher Geoff Lynch '09 had a very strong game behind the plate, and Clark was outstanding on defense making several key plays both at first base and while pitching. The PA nine hosts Nobles on Friday afternoon at Phelps Park before heading to Deerfield for a Saturday twin bill.

Tabor
5/13/2009

The PA diamond men finished their regular season with a 5-4 victory over Tabor at Phelps Park on Wednesday. Tom Hamel '10 started for the Blue and shut out the Seawolves for the first two innings, allowing just one hit and striking out 3. Tom Pallescki '12, Sam Clark '09, and Sam Auffant '09 followed in relief with Clark picking up the win for his scoreless 5th and 6th innings of work. Meanwhile the offense built a 5-1 lead with Zach Burdeau picking up 3 hits and 2 RBI's to lead the way. Geoff Lynch '09 had 2 hits with an RBI and was on base four times, while Zach Elder '11 also picked up an RBI. A couple of errors in the seventh helped Tabor battle back to 5-4 before Auffant recorded the final out on a strike out. With an 8-4 record in league play, the team will be seeded third in this Saturday's tournament at Holy Cross.

NE Semifinals
5/16/2009

Andover's Glenn Stowell '09 and Exeter's Chris O'Hare squared off for the second time this season in the opening round of the Central New England Prep School Baseball League Tournament at Holy Cross, and both pitchers were once again in top form. Stowell struck out 9 Exeter batters and scattered 4 hits, while O'Hare struck out 10 and allowed just 2 hits in the game. As it turned out, none of the hits figured in the scoring as both pitchers, with support from their defenses were able to snuff out any hint of a rally. However, in the second inning Jack Doyle '10 drew a one-out walk and stole second base. He advanced to third on a passed ball, and then raced home when Mike Siraco '09 grounded to second. After 2 Exeter hits and his only walk of the game, Stowell faced a bases loaded situation in the third inning but was able to induce a ground out to shortstop Zach Burdeau '09 to end the inning. A base hit in the fourth was the last runner Stowell allowed, as he retired the last 11 men he faced to make the 1-0 lead stand up. With the victory, PA advanced to the tournament finals to face Deerfield, 4-2 winners over Worcester Academy in their opening round game.

NE Finals

5/16/2009

Indicative of the parity and tough competition in the Central New England Prep School Baseball League this season, the tournament's third seed, Andover, and fourth seed, Deerfield, squared off for the title in the championship game at Holy Cross Saturday. The Green was able to build a 3-0 lead, notching single runs in each of the first three innings, while the Andover bats remained quiet until the sixth. In the bottom of the sixth Sam Clark '09 led off with a walk, and Bennett Caroccio '10 followed with a one-out double. Glenn Stowell '09 knocked in both runners with a pinch hit double, and Chris Cameron '11 followed with a double of his own to plate Stowell with the tying run. The Blue came within inches of taking the lead when Mike DiFronzo '11 hit a soft liner that nearly got over the shortstop's head. Unfortunately, the Andover bid to earn their third straight league championship fell short when Deerfield scored one more run in the top of the seventh to grab a 4-3 win. Jack Doyle '10 pitched a strong game for Andover, allowing just 7 hits and 2 earned runs. The PA nine has one more week in the season with the traditional year-end match-up with Exeter coming up on Saturday the 23rd at PEA.

Exeter

5/23/2009

In their fourth meeting of the spring season, the PA and PEA baseball teams squared off at Exeter Saturday afternoon, and Andover was able to grind out a 6-3 victory. After losing two one-run games to the Red in an early May doubleheader at Phelps Park, the Blue edged PEA 1-0 in the league tournament a week ago. In this final game of the season for both teams, Andover once again faced the challenge of trying to solve the slants of PEA's dominant left-hander Chris O'Hare and found themselves trailing 2-0 after just one inning. But with two outs in the top of the third, Chris Cameron '11 got on base with a bunt single and advanced to second on a throwing error. After Mike DiFronzo '11 drew a walk, co-captain Anthony Morlani '09 found a hole with his ground ball single through the infield to drive in Cameron with PA's first run. Meanwhile the Andover pitchers were doing their job of holding Exeter in check, and the defense—after allowing two unearned runs in the first—began to click. Left-hander Tom Palleschi '12 drew the start for the Blue and struck out 2 while allowing 2 hits and 2 unearned runs in the first two innings. Tom Hamel '10 came on to pitch shutout ball in the third and fourth, yielding just 2 hits and walking none.

PA still trailed 2-1 in the top of the fifth, but Sam Auffant '09 changed that when he drove a two-strike pitch 375 feet to left for a solo home run and a 2-2 tie. With PA's top pitcher Glenn Stowell '09 coming on to pitch in the fifth, the two teams were facing what amounted to a 3-inning game. After Stowell retired the Red in the fifth, Zach Burdeau '09 led off the sixth by beating out a slow roller down the first base line. After Sam Clark '09 walked, everyone in the park knew co-captain Geoff Lynch '09 would be trying to bunt the runners over, but despite the defense's anticipation, Lynch laid down an excellent bunt that not only advanced the runners but forced an overthrow at first base which allowed both Burdeau and Clark to score. It looked like Lynch might be stranded at third as O'Hare struck out the next two PA hitters, but Stowell, batting for the first

time in the game, singled up the middle to drive in another run and make the score 5-2. Exeter's Tim Lee hit a solo homer to lead off bottom of the sixth and make it 5-3, but that's all the home team would get as Stowell was in command, and PA added an insurance run in the top of the seventh when Morlani ripped a double to left and rode home on a Burdeau single.

The victory capped a very successful 14-6 season for the Big Blue varsity. Facing a schedule of one tough opponent after another, they competed well every time out, and the team chemistry was superb. Co-captains Morlani and Lynch along with the other seniors, Mike Siraco, Stowell, Auffant, Burdeau, and Clark, did an excellent job of leading and working with an unusually young team, and the underclassmen responded by stepping up in big ways. All the players and coaches want to thank the parents, grandparents, and fans of PA baseball for their tremendous support throughout the season. We also want to recognize and applaud the people without whom our program would not be possible: the JV baseball coaches, the athletic trainers, the folks in the athletic office who handle scheduling, meals, uniforms, equipment, the locker rooms, the Cage, the web site, and a million other details, and perhaps most of all, the athletic grounds crew that does such a fabulous job on our fields. You guys are great, and we appreciate all of you immensely.

Team Tries To Match '08 Success

Five Returners Lead Young Squad

By Sarah Onorato
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Coming off of two consecutive championship seasons, the Andover baseball team looks to match their past successes while dealing with the challenge of filling twelve vacated roster spots.

The team finished the season with a bang last year, securing the New England Prep School Championship for the second year in a row in a come-from-behind victory against Worcester Academy, 5-4. The Big Blue posted an impressive 10-2 record in regular season league play and were able to bring down the curtain on their season with a 13-9 victory over Exeter.

Andover looks to match the successes of the recent past this year, and they will look to do it with a team dominated by new talent. Only five members of the 2008 championship team will be returning for the 2009 season: Co-Captains Geoff Lynch '09 and Anthony Morlani '09, Glenn Stowell '09, Mike Siraco '09 and Bennett Carroccio '10.

"We lost a lot to graduation," said Coach Andy Cline. "We have definite strengths, but we will also have holes to fill."

Lynch will hold the starting catching job for the second year in a row, and Morlani, while also a catcher, will be starting in the outfield this season for Andover. Stowell proved to be a successful closer and relief pitcher for the Big Blue last year, leading the team in various appearances throughout the seasons. This year he will become a starting

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A. LEVINE/ *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Glenn Stowell '09 looks to deliver the heat in baseball's opening scrimmage against Haverhill .

BASEBALL

Coach Cline Hopes To Focus On 'Process, Not Outcome'

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pitcher, a new role for him.

Final cuts have yet to be made official at press time, but the newcomers will undoubtedly have the opportunity to be an instrumental part of the team.

"One of our goals this season is to come together as a team," said Cline. This is especially true with the abundance of new players, both post-graduates and underclassmen.

In addition to coming together as a team, Cline has some other goals in mind for his team this year. "Of course, having fun is always the goal. But we would also like to play well; if we play the game well and have fun doing it, the scoreboard and everything else will take care of itself," commented Coach Cline.

Making the tournament is always a goal as well, but Coach Cline was certain to emphasize a concentration on "process, not outcome."

In the pursuit of achieving these goals, the team will have to face some formidable competition along the way. Exeter is a traditional rival for Andover, and PEA's team seems to be shaping up to be a strong one again. In particular, Exeter is strong on the mound, with a new left handed pitcher joining a returning one.

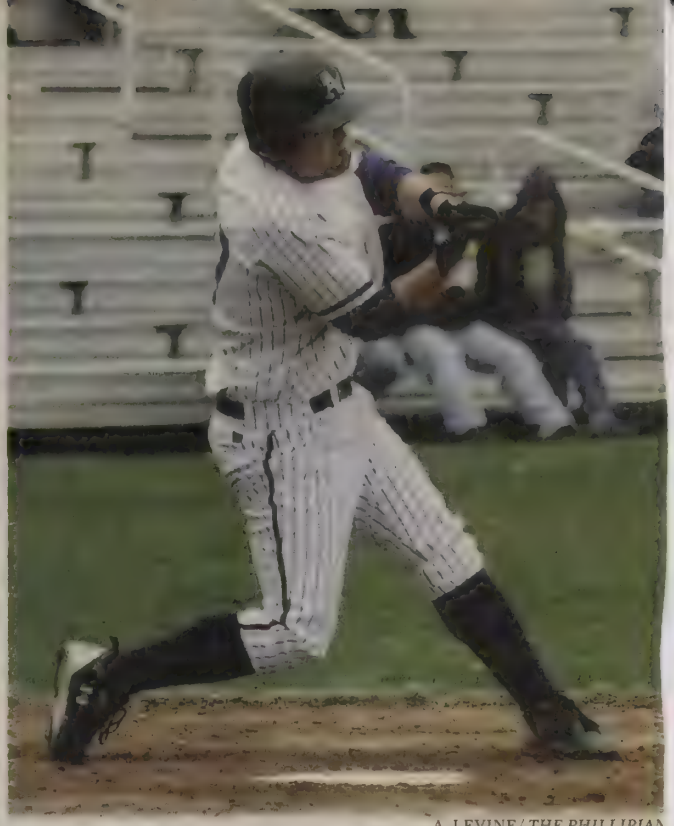
Before playing Exeter at the season finale on May 23, Andover will face other league powerhouses such as Cushing, Deerfield and Worcester.

"We will have a very solid hitting lineup this season with a lot of speed," said Coach Cline. "We also have some really good athletes, many of them multi-sport athletes across the board, which we like."

The team hopes that these strengths, along with strong leadership, will allow them to experience success this spring.

"I am grateful for the leadership of our Captains and Seniors and the dedication of our coaches at all levels. The dedication of these individuals helps us be successful," said Coach Cline.

On Wednesday, Andover scrimmaged against Haverhill High School in a game that didn't count towards the season schedule. The team opens up its season this Saturday at home against Bridgton Academy, and then begins league play next Wednesday at Tabor.



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Bennett Carroccio '10 (left) slides safely into second base; Co-captain Geoff Lynch '09 (right) smacks a single into left field.

Baseball Kicks Off Season With Two Wins; Nine-Run Fifth Inning Overwhelms Tabor

By Sarah Onorato
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	5
Bridgton	2

Andover	11
Tabor	0

Andover Baseball opened its season convincingly with two dominant wins over Bridgton Academy and Tabor Academy this week, riding the arms of ace Glenn Stowell '09 and newcomer Jack Doyle '10.

On Wednesday, the team traveled to Marion, Massachusetts to take on Tabor Academy. Last year, Andover prevailed over Tabor in the season's regular season finale, handily defeating the Seawolves 13-1.

Andover enjoyed similar success against Tabor in Wednesday's league opener, combining lights-out pitching with an explosive offense to fuel the 11-0 victory. While the game remained close at 2-0 through the first four innings, the Andover offense set fire to Tabor in the fifth, posting another nine runs to seal the deal.

Stowell made his first appearance as a starting pitcher this season, after working out of the bullpen primarily as a closer last year. His success as a relief pitcher carried over to the starting position smoothly.

Stowell threw five innings of three hit baseball, allowing only one walk and striking out five.

"Everyone hit, and everyone contributed," said Mike DiFronzo '11, who ignited the offense from the leadoff position in the batting lineup with two doubles.

Tom Hamel '10 and Sam Clark '09 pitched the sixth and seventh innings, respectively, to preserve Andover's first shutout of the season.

On Tuesday, Andover began the season with a 5-2 victory over Bridgton Academy. They kept the Bridgton offense under control from start to finish and capitalized on fielding errors by the Bridgton defense for the win.

The first inning opened with Doyle striking out Bridgton's leadoff batter, setting the tone for the rest of the game. Pitching five innings of one run baseball, Doyle's efforts on the mound were encouraging for Andover.

"He was hitting his spots with both his fastball and his slider," said fellow newcomer second baseman Chris Cameron '11. "He changed speeds and the hitters' eye levels all game to keep them off balance."

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Offense Capitalizes on Bridgton Mistakes

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Tom Palleschi '12 came in for relief in the sixth and displayed his skills from the mound.

Five runs from the Andover offense bolstered its combined pitching effort. The first of these came in the bottom of the first, when Bridgton committed a throwing error on a ground ball hit by Clark.

"The early lead helped a lot. It's a lot easier playing when we're ahead than when we're behind," said Cameron.

Many of Andover's runs were created with small ball. One key play in the game was a bunt by Mike Siraco '09, moving runners to second and third base who would then come around to score.

Another key play in the game came in the seventh inning, when Bennett Carroccio '10 made an impressive catch on the run in left field with two men on base. This key defensive play kept runners from scoring, helping to fight off any chances of a Bridgton come back.

Belmont Hill and Cushing Academy are next in the lineup for Andover. Both will pose new challenges as Andover looks to build on its two-game winning streak.

Two Comeback Victories

Sam Auffant '09 Hits Walk-Off Double

By Sarah Onorato
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	7
Belmont Hill	6

Andover	11
Cushing	8

The Andover baseball team managed to collect two more wins this week in close games against Belmont Hill and Cushing Academy. With these victories the team improved to a perfect 4-0 for the season.

In a thrilling game against a tough Belmont Hill squad, Andover prevailed 7-6 on a walk-off double to deep right-center field by Sam Auffant '09 in the seventh inning.

Starting on the mound for Andover in Friday's match-up was Sam Clark '09 in his first appearance this season. Clark played strongly through four innings, keeping Belmont Hill at bay and allowing just one walk and two hits.

The top of the fourth was troublesome for Andover, as Belmont Hill was able to capitalize on Andover's defensive errors and score three unearned runs. The visitors added another run in the fifth as they plated men who had reached on walks.

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Anthony Morlani '09 Smacks Game-Winning Hit in Sixth Inning to Propel Andover Offense

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Andover was able to tie the game at four, but Belmont Hill struck again in the sixth, this time scoring two more runs off of relievers Auffant and Tom Hamel '10.

After a scoreless sixth for Andover, Hamel silenced the Belmont Hill offense in the seventh. A one-two-three inning by Hamel set the stage for an Andover comeback in the bottom of the last inning.

With one out, both Co-Captain Geoff Lynch '09 and Tom Palleschi '12 were able to work their counts full and draw walks. This loaded the bases with only one out.

After another Andover out, Belmont Hill's catcher failed to connect with his first baseman on a pickoff attempt. The botched play allowed the runners from second and third base to come around to score.

With the game now tied at six, Auffant came to the plate with the winning run on second base. His double over the right fielder's head ended the game and sent Andover players rushing onto the field to celebrate their 7-6 victory.

Clark and Auffant each had two hits in the victory, and five other Andover players added one hit each. This included a triple to right center field in the third inning by Zach Burdeau '09, who came all the way around to score on a relaying error by Belmont Hill.

Coming off of this victory, Andover hosted league opponent Cushing Academy on Wednesday in a match-up of powerhouses.

Starting on the mound for Andover was Glenn Stowell '09 in his second appearance this season. While Stowell pitched well, he left the game after 5 and 1/3 innings with a no decision.

With a 7-4 lead in the sixth, Hamel replaced Stowell on the mound midway through the inning, inheriting a runner at first base. While Hamel performed well and forced Cushing into a number of weak ground balls, Andover faced a defensive collapse and allowed Cushing to take the lead for the first time in the game, 8-7.

Down by a run in the bottom of the sixth, Andover batting rescued the team yet again. With runners on second and third, Co-Captain Anthony Morlani '09 drove a line drive into left field to score both runs and give Andover the lead. By the end of the inning, Andover led Cushing 11-8.

In the seventh inning, Jack Doyle '10, who had a strong showing as the starter on opening day, came in to fill a closing role. Doyle didn't allow Cushing to retaliate, preserving the three run lead and earning the save. Hamel was the winning pitcher of the day after his performance in the sixth.

In back-to-back games, Andover proved its ability to execute in key situations, earning two victories from critical comebacks

Andover looks to keep the streak going in upcoming games against BB&N on Friday and a double header at Worcester Academy on Saturday.

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Zach Burdeau '09 reaches home plate safely to earn a run for Andover in the 7-6 victory.

Andover Baseball Can't Find Groove Against BB&N in Loss

By Sarah Onorato
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Coming off of back to back come back victories last week, Andover baseball looked to keep rolling this week in games against B.B&N. and Worcester Academy.

On Friday, the team traveled to Cambridge to take on Buckingham, Browne and Nichols in a non-league match up. This allowed Andover the opportunity to try players in different roles and new positions. Shortstop Mike Siraco '09 was on the mound and Co-Captain Anthony Morlani '09 handled the catching duties.

The team found itself in a hole early on, giving up three runs in the bottom of the first inning. However, Andover was able to chip away at B.B& N.'s lead in the top of the second, when Chris Cameron '11 knocked in Andover's only run of the game.

While it appeared that Andover was climbing back into the game, a BB&N. batter launched a two-run shot to right the next inning to put the opponents up 5-1. Kyle Franco '10 and Zach Burdeau '09 came to pitch in relief for the last four innings of the game.

Meanwhile, the Andover offense struggled to build momentum and string together hits. Bennett Carroccio '10 led the Andover offense with three hits on the day. However, the team struggled to string together timely hits, and the game ended in Andover's first loss of the season, 11-1.

"It obviously wasn't the way we wanted to play, but we were able to give players time in different roles. This will be a big help in our versatility as a team moving forward," said Cameron.

The team looked to rebound from its first loss of the season when it took on Worcester Academy on Saturday.

Taking the mound in the first game of the doubleheader was Jack Doyle '10. Although Worcester threatened with baserunners throughout the game, Doyle strung together five innings and pitched himself out of tough positions, allowing three earned runs and three walks to earn the win.

Following Doyle's strong five innings of work, Glenn Stowell '09 came in to finish off the last two innings, returning to his role last season as a reliever. Stowell pitched a lights out two innings of one run baseball, sealing the deal for Andover.

The team supported both Doyle and Stowell on offense. Sam Auffant '09 hit a long line drive into tennis courts situated in deep left field for his first homerun of the season, and added two more hits in the game to catalyze the Andover offense. Morlani added a triple in the seventh to pad Andover's lead, and the team's efforts culminated in a 9-5 victory in the first game of the doubleheader.

In the nightcap, Sam Clark '09 took the mound, giving Andover a strong five innings. Worcester was able to put up four runs early, but Andover battled back in the fourth inning. Tom Palleschi '12 walked to start the inning, and after a Cameron single and Siraco walk to load the bases, Mike DiFronzo '11 came through in the clutch, smacking a line drive down the right field line for a three run triple.

After tying the game at four in the fourth inning, Andover was unable to manufacture any more big innings offensively. Worcester was able to get to relievers Tom Hamel '10, Palleschi, and Burdeau and broke the game open for a 16-5 victory.

"It's always tough to sweep a double header, let alone on the road, but we know we can play better than we played in the second game," said Cameron.

In another non-league game on Wednesday, the team traveled to take on Pingree. After playing just over two innings, the game was called off due to poor field conditions.

Wrapping up a tough week at 1-2, Andover's record stands at 5-2 and 3-1 in the league. On Saturday, Andover looks to improve on its league record when it hosts NMH in an important doubleheader.

Andover Outscores Opponents, 29-2

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nings for Andover and shut out NMH while allowing just one hit. The 10-1 victory improved Doyle's record to 3-0 on the season.

Once again, Andover's offense exploded, providing the defense with an overabundance of run support. DiFronzo and Morlani each contributed with two hits, while Chris Cameron '11 and Tom Palleschi '12 each knocked in two runs of their own.

"This was a big day for our two big guns in or rotation, as both Glenn and Jack stretched out their pitch counts. They both clearly showed why we can count on them in big games," said Cameron.

These two wins against league rival NMH were crucial for Andover. With the sweep of the doubleheader, the team improved to 7-2 on the season and 5-1 in the league, and Cline earned his 299th win going into Monday's game at Brooks School.

In the top of the first inning, Andover knocked Brooks' pitcher for an early four runs and never looked back.

"As soon as the first inning was finished we knew we had the game in our hands," said Clark.

Offensively, Burdeau had another three hit game for Andover, and everyone else chipped in another display of offense in Andover's 11-0 shutout victory.

Palleschi pitched four strong innings in the start, and he was relieved for two innings by Auffant and one inning by Tom Hamel '10.

With the win, Cline earned his 300th career victory, and the team improved to 8-2 on the season.

"Today was a special day for Coach Cline, who got his 300th win," said Clark. "I had to really take a step back and think about how many wins that is. It's quite an accomplishment."

Baseball Sweeps NMH In Doubleheader

By Sarah Onorato
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Andover cruised to three straight victories this past week, stomping Northfield-Mount Hermon in a double header on Saturday and beating Brooks, 11-0, for Coach Andy Cline's 300th career victory.

On Saturday, Andover hosted NMH and defeated the Hoggers with a cumulative score of 18-2. Andover pitchers allowed just four walks in both games combined and Andover hitters struck out just five times.

In the first game, Glenn Stowell '09 took the mound in his third start of the season, helping Andover to an 8-1 victory. Stowell allowed only one run on four hits in his first complete game of the season, striking out ten NMH batters along the way.

Stowell's impressive performance on the mound was matched by the Andover batting squad. The team came out strong in the bottom of the first inning. Mike DiFronzo '11 led off with a single, and a wild pitch eventually allowed him to cross the plate. Sam Clark '09 followed with a double that knocked in Co-Captain Anthony Morlani '09, giving Andover the 2-0 lead by the end of the first inning.

The game remained close until the sixth inning, when Andover rallied for four runs to cushion its lead. Zach Burdeau '09, Co-Captain Geoff Lynch '09 and Clark all drove in two runs in the game.

Stowell got the win, improving to 3-0 on the season, with a 0.72 earned run average. Burdeau was the offensive star in the game with three hits, and DiFronzo, Clark and Sam Auffant '09 each added two of their own.

Jack Doyle '10 took the mound in Saturday's second game for his third start of the season. Doyle threw six in-

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Baseball Coach Andy Cline Earns 300th Career Victory

COURTESY OF JENNIE CLIN

Players hold up three fingers and surround Coach Cline after Andover defeated Brooks, 11-0, for Cline's 300th win.

nate to have had such terrific baseball players and assistant coaches throughout my career," he said. "I'm lucky to be around people who love to play baseball every day they step on the field."

Cline has coached baseball at Andover for twenty-three years.

Nicholson remarked, "He respects the game, and he respects his opponents, coaches and players alike, which has earned him a stellar reputation around New England prep school baseball."

The Andover baseball players all say the same thing: nobody us to be successful as a team is astounding," said Co-Captain Anthony Morlani '09. "His ability to make adjustments throughout the season, within games, within innings, is a huge part of why his teams have always been competitive."

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Reflecting on his time as a coach, Cline gestured to the baseball diamond at Phelps Park on a gorgeous afternoon. Smiling, he said, "This is my office. How could I not love what I do?"

COURTESY OF JENNIE CLINE

In his number 27 jersey, Coach Cline gets a celebratory bath after Monday's victory.

Andover Baseball Clinches Playoff Berth With 12-5 Record

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mize Deerfield's damage.

However, the double header allowed the team the immediate opportunity to avenge this loss. "After a lackluster performance in game one, we were determined to split the double header and win the second game," said Morlani.

Andover came out strong in game two of the twin bill, scoring five runs in the first inning. Sam Clark '09 and Burdeau, batting third and fourth. Respectively, both went 4-4 at the plate and combined for a total of six RBI's.

Jack Doyle '10 was dominant on the mound for Andover, pitching six innings of shutout baseball to earn the win. Tom Palleschi '12 came in to close out the seventh, earning the save. The pitching performances of Palleschi and Doyle led to a 12-0 shutout victory of Deerfield.

The win in Saturday's second game clinched a spot in the league playoffs this upcoming weekend.

Coming off of the split versus Deerfield, Andover hosted Tabor Academy at home on Wednesday. Andover had beaten the league opponent convincingly earlier in the season, 11-0, and beat them 5-4 in the second meeting of the two squads.

In preparation for the upcoming tournament, Andover took the opportunity to utilize many of its pitchers, with Hamel, Palleschi and Clark each seeing two innings of action, and Sam Auffant '09 closing out the seventh.

Burdeau continued his hot hitting, contributing a single, double, and triple at the plate.

Andover made use of some small ball to supplement their big bats as well.

With Co-Captain Geoff Lynch '09 at the plate and Morlani on third, Lynch executed a perfect bunt as Morlani broke from third to come home on the safety squeeze, plating a run for Andover in the later stages of the game.

Leading 5-1 going into the seventh, some hits and defensive miscues allowed Tabor to plate three runs. With the win over Tabor, Andover closes out the regular season at 12-5 going into the NEPSAC Tournament this weekend hosted at College of the Holy Cross. Andover will be joined by Deerfield, Worcester and Exeter in the tournament.

"We will have faced each opponent twice going into the weekend and all teams are relatively even-matched," said Morlani.

He continued, "Ideally, playing solid, error-free defense and being patient on offense will put our team in the best position to succeed."

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Zach Elder '11 waits for the throw as a Tabor runner slides into third base on Wednesday.

Seven RBI Performance from Burdeau '09 Propels Andover

By Sarah Onorato
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Zach Burdeau '09 knocked in seven runs last Friday as Andover cruised to a remarkable 21-1 victory over Nobles in the highest scoring game of the season. Andover also split a double header at Deerfield on Saturday to clinch a spot in the playoffs this weekend as the team tries to defend its league championship from the last two years.

Hosting Nobles on Friday, Andover jumped on the weak opponent early and often, earning an 11-0 lead after just four innings of play.

Chris Cameron '10 had a strong showing at the plate as the lead off man, reaching base in five of his six trips to the plate. His two hits and three walks helped set the table for the the middle of Andover's lineup.

The strong offensive efforts by Andover were accompanied by equally impressive defensive play. Tom Hamel '10 dominated Nobles' batters from the mound, keeping them on their heels the entire game.

"Hamel hit his spot on almost every pitch, which includes his curveball, which he threw for strikes all game. They just had no chance against him," said Cameron.

Coming off of its rout of Nobles, the team traveled to Deerfield Academy for a double header against its league rival. In the first game, Andover could not seem to put anything together, both offensively and defensively. While Deerfield maintained a 4-0 lead for the majority of the game, they added three more in the last inning to defeat Andover in the opening game 7-0.

Andover had some trouble in the field, as several defensive miscues allowed Deerfield to increase its lead. Co-Captain Anthony Morlani '09 did, however, have several impress catches in center field for Andover, helping to mini-

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Andover Falls Short In League Championship

By Sarah Onorato
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	1
Exeter	0

Deerfield	4
Andover	3

Despite a complete game shutout from Glenn Stowell '09 in the semifinal game against Exeter, Andover fell to Deerfield Academy, 4-3, narrowly missing its third consecutive Central New England Prep School Baseball League Championship.

Andover advanced to the Central New England Prep School Baseball League finals against fourth-seeded Deerfield Academy, who had defeated opponent Worcester Academy 4-2 in the first round. Andover split a doubleheader with Deerfield just last week, losing one game 7-0 and winning another 12-0.

Deerfield jumped in front of Andover early on, scoring one run in each of the first three innings.

Once Andover settled down defensively behind Doyle on the mound, Andover kept Deerfield from scoring in the next three innings.

Meanwhile, the Andover bats remained quiet until the sixth inning. But after a Sam Clark '09 walk and a one-out double by Bennett Carroccio '10, Andover found themselves with men on second and third with only one out.

Stowell came into the game to pinch hit and took advantage of the opportunity to drive in both runners with a double to left center field. Chris Cameron '11 plated Stowell with a double of his own, tying the game at three.

But Andover could not bring Cameron home, stranding him at second base. At the end of sixth, the game was knotted at three.

In the seventh, Deerfield capitalized on a defensive miscue and a walk by Andover, plating the winning run on a sacrifice fly to left field to earn the 4-3 win.

Doyle was without his best stuff, but he held Deerfield in check in allowing seven hits and just two earned runs. Despite the efforts of the Andover squad, the team fell just short of a championship three-peat.

"Ultimately, we came up short, but I think our young

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Stowell '09 Triumphs In Pitchers Duel

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guys, and there are a lot of them, learned some valuable things from this years run," Stowell said. "I look forward to reading about them bringing the title back to Andover next year."

In the first round of the tournament, third-seeded Andover went up against second-seeded Exeter.

Andover dropped two one-run games to Exeter in the regular season, but came into Saturday's semifinal match-up prepared to avenge the losses.

The game was a pitcher's duel from the start, with ace Stowell for Andover and fellow lefty ace from Exeter on the mound. Stowell came into the game firing on all cylinders, striking out five of the first six batters he faced in the first two innings.

In the top of the second inning, Jack Doyle '10 reached base on a one out walk. After stealing second and advancing to third base on a passed ball, Doyle scored on a ground ball to the right side, tapped by Mike Siraco '09.

The run would turn out to be the only one of the game for either team, as Andover took the 1-0 lead.

Siraco said, "In that at bat I knew the infield was playing back so I was just trying to put the ball on the ground."

"Everyone could tell it was going to be a pitcher's duel from the beginning of the game so when I came to the plate and Jack [Doyle] was in scoring position I knew it was going to be crucial to get him in any way I could," he continued.

Solid defense combined with Stowell's stellar performance on the mound allowed Andover to preserve the one run lead.

Stowell went the full seven innings, striking out nine and allowing no runs on only four hits. It was the most dominant outing by any Andover pitcher this year, and it couldn't have come at a better time for Andover.

"I established the fastball on the inside of the plate early on and then kept it away from the hitters, looking for them to chase," said Stowell. "I was able to throw my slider for strikes, but more importantly I was able to bury it out of the strike zone in appropriate counts, again making them chase it."

Baseball Powers Past Exeter To Finish Season on Winning Note

By Sarah Onorato
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	**6**
Exeter	**3**

Down by a run entering the fifth inning, Sam Auffant '09 pounded a home run over the left-center field to tie the game and propel Andover to its 6-3 victory over archrival Exeter.

Andover made attempts to get everyone involved in the end-of-season rivalry game. Tom Palleschi '12 worked the first two innings from the mound, followed by Tom Hamel '10 for another two innings.

Ace Glenn Stowell '09, who led Andover to a victory against Exeter in the postseason tournament last week, came in to close out the final three frames in his last game in an Andover uniform.

Earlier this year in the regular season. Exeter swept Andover in a Saturday doubleheader in two close games. Last week, Andover struck back in the post-season tournament, defeating Exeter behind a spectacular performance by Stowell. Saturday's win tied the season series at two games apiece for the rivals.

As the away team, Andover came to the plate first and went down swinging, as Exeter's pitcher struck out the side. The discouraging start to the game was compounded in the home half of the first, when Exeter capitalized on two defensive miscues to score twice.

After silent bats in the second, Chris Cameron '11 ignited the offense by reaching base in the third inning on a bunt base hit. Co-Captain Anthony Morlani '09 plated Cameron on a single to right field, putting Andover on the board. Morlani had two hits.

Both clubs stayed quiet at the plate through the fourth. Then, in the top of the fifth, Auffant tagged a solo home run to tie the game at two. It was Auffant's second long ball of the season.

Stowell came in to pitch in the home half of the inning, shutting down Exeter and allowing only one run in three innings of work.

In the sixth inning, Andover took the lead. Co-Captain Geoff Lynch '09 pushed a bunt to the pitcher, and a runner on second base came around to score on a errant throw to first base. Andover added two more runs in the frame to take a 5-3 lead.

Stowell earned the win for the day, and Andover closed out its season with a 6-3 victory. With this final win, Andover finished with a 14-6 record.

Andover baseball will lose seven seniors to graduation at the end of the '09 season: Sam Clark, Mike Siraco, Burdeau, Stowell, Auffant and Co-Captains Lynch and Morlani. The leadership and experience of these seven senior members of the squad was critical to the team's success this season.

Sport: Boys Crew

Year: 2009

Captain: Parker Washburn

Coach: Peter Washburn

Assistant Coaches: Edwin Quattlebaum, Dale Hurley, Taylor Washburn

Season Record

Won 2 Lost 0 Tied 0

1st @ Interschols

2nd @ Nationals

Letterwinners

Bouchard, Shane
Calkins, Christopher
Chang, Iris
Faulkner, William
Foley, Thomas
Hon, Curtis
Larson, Daniel
Lawlor, Matthew
Lee-Kramer, Steven
Malin, Andrew
Marcelo, Ryan
May, Conor
Rogers, Kyle
Shoener, Charles
Stuer, Shaun
Teece, Edward
Walters, Charles
Washburn, Parker

Phillips Academy

Boys Crew

Roster 2009

Name	Yr	Hometown
Adams, William	2011	Chicago, IL
Ahmad, Faiyad	2010	Andover, MA
Blaize, Gregory	2011	Milton, MA
Bouchard, Shane	2010	Andover, MA
Brooks, Callen	2011	Williamstown, MA
Calkins, Christopher	2011	Concord, MA
Callison, William	2009	Cherry Hills Village, CO
Chan, Paul	2010	Gilbert, AZ
Chang, Iris	2009	Studio City, CA
Clements, Graeme	2009	Lyme, CT
Conte, Lorenzo	2012	Methuen, MA
Danziger, Julian	2011	New York, NY
Dean, Robert	2010	Shrewsbury, MA
Deveney, Brendan	2009	Newtown, CT
Doctor, Zainab	2010	Andover, MA
Faulkner, William	2009	Homer, AK
Foley, Thomas	2009	New York, NY
Green, Geoffrey	2010	Chicago, IL
Hansen, Luke	2011	Hanover, NH
Hardin, Karl	2011	Sierra Madre, CA
Henesey, Keely	2012	New Canaan, CT
Hon, Curtis	2010	Burlington, MA
Huh, Joon-Buhm	2012	Irvine, CA
Kent, Chris	2011	Lynnfield, MA
Kramer, Thomas	2011	Andover, MA
Krapels, Benjamin	2012	Andover, MA
Kwok, Geoffrey	2010	South Charleston, WV
Lalanne, Demetrius	2011	Jacksonville, FL
Larson, Daniel	2011	Darien, CT
Lawlor, Matthew	2010	Salem, NH

Lee, Laura	2011	Moreland Hills, OH
Lee-Kramer, Peter	2011	Princeton, NJ
Lee-Kramer, Steven	2009	Princeton, NJ
Lenzo, Tory	2012	Andover, MA
Malin, Andrew	2009	New York, NY
Marcelo, Ryan	2010	Weston, MA
May, Conor	2009	Burbank, CA
McLaughlin, Timothy	2011	Osterville, MA
Meyer, Christopher	2011	Darien, CT
Na, Jonathan	2011	Clarksville, MD
Nanda, Alexander	2011	Shreveport, LA
Nanda, Christopher	2012	Shreveport, LA
Renner, Matthew	2010	Rifle, CO
Roberts, Jacob	2011	Andover, MA
Robinson, Francis	2011	North Andover, MA
Rogers, Kyle	2009	Haverhill, MA
Segreto, Elina	2011	Methuen, MA
Serna, Nicolas	2010	Andover, MA
Shambaugh, Winfield	2011	Portland, ME
Shoener, Charles	2010	Ridgefield, CT
Sigal, Ian	2012	Locust Valley, NY
Sirakian, Eric	2010	Andover, MA
Smith, Alexander	2012	St. Petersburg, FL
Smith, Marcus	2012	Haverhill, MA
Stuer, Shaun	2009	North Chelmsford, MA
Teece, Edward	2009	Berkley, CA
Walters, Charles	2010	Lake Bluff, IL
Washburn, Parker	2009	Andover, MA
Weaver, Tomas	2011	Bennekom, The Netherlands
Zhang, Gregory	2012	North Andover, MA
Zhou, Dennis	2012	FPO, AP

Coach: Peter Washburn

Assistant Coaches: Edwin Quattlebaum, Dale Hurley, Taylor Washburn

Schedule and Record

Record: 2/0/0

DATE/TIME	OPPONENT	H/A	TYPE	SCORE
4/11 @ 2:00 PM	Kent School	A	Game	B2, B4 W; B1, B3 L
4/18 @ 2:00 PM	St. John's/Simsbury/Exeter	A	Game	
4/25 @ 3:00 PM	Salisbury/Brunswick	A	Game	W
5/2 @ 3:30 PM	St. Paul's School/CRI	H	Game	W B1, B2, B3, B4 - 1st
5/9 @ 3:00 PM	Tabor/Exeter	H	Game	W
5/13 @ 3:00 PM	Belmont Hill	H	Game	
5/16 @ 1:00 PM	N.M.H.	A	Game	
5/23 @ 10:00 AM	Interscholastics	A	Game	

Kent
4/11/2009

B1: Kent 4:37.2 Andover 4:45.6

B2: Andover 4:48.4 Kent 4:50.6

B3: Kent 4:56.8 Andover 4;59.8

B4: Andover 5:16.4 Kent 5:18.7

Salisbury/Brunswick
4/25/2009

Boys 1: Andover, Brunswick, Salisbury

Boys 2: Andover, Brunswick, Salisbury

Boys 3: Andover, Salisbury, Brunswick

Boys 4: Brunswick, Andover, Salisbury

Boys 5: Andover A, Andover B, Brunswick, Salisbury

St. Paul's/CRI
5/2/2009

Distance: 1500m
Conditions: ideal conditions: flat water, not a lot of current, and little wind--just a very slight tailwind

B1: Andover 4:46
SPS 4:51.1
CRI 4:57.4
Han 5:06.9

B2: Andover 4:52.6
SPS 5:06.5

CRI 5:07.5
Han 5:23.5

B3: Andover 5:16.5
CRI 5:28.6
SPS 5:33.2

B4: Andover 5:16
Andover B 5:25.1
SPS 5:31.3
Andover C 5:48.5

Tabor/Exeter

5/9/2009

Distance: 1500m
Conditions: floating start with moderate current (so races started in different places). occasionally breezy at the start, but mostly flat water for the body of the race.
Results

Men's Racing

B1:
Andover 4:53.3
Tabor 4:56.9
Exeter 5:00.7

B2:
Andover 4:51.7
Exeter 4:54.7
Tabor 5:14.4

B3:
Andover 5:05.1
Exeter 5:14.2
Tabor 5:25.5

B4:
Andover 4:57.7

Exeter 5:05.2
Tabor 5:11.9

B5:
Andover 5:18.9
Exeter 5:27.8
Tabor 5:34.2

B6:
Andover 5:28.0
Exeter 5:53.5

Interschols
5/23/2009

B3 HEAT 1
Ln Order Entry Time
OFFICIAL
1 1 Andover 4:48.473
3 2 St John's 4:55.472
2 3 Exeter 4:59.510
5 4 Farmington 5:00.147
4 5 St. Paul's 5:02.118
6 6 Simsbury 5:13.657

B3 GRAND FINAL
Ln Order Entry Time
OFFICIAL
3 1 Kent 4:51.523
4 2 Andover 4:52.732
5 3 Salisbury 4:52.734
2 4 St John's 5:07.379
1 5 Hanover 5:08.133
6 6 Exeter 5:15.014

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B2 HEAT 1
Ln Order Entry Time
OFFICIAL

1 1 Andover 4:40.075
2 2 Exeter 4:44.260
4 3 Brunswick 4:44.389
3 4 St John's 4:46.316
5 5 Tabor 4:55.712
6 6 Farmington 5:07.900

B2 GRAND FINAL
Ln Order Entry Time
OFFICIAL
4 1 Andover 4:43.404
5 2 Kent 4:43.845
3 3 Salisbury 4:48.915
2 4 Exeter 4:49.203
6 5 Brunswick 4:55.042
1 6 St. Paul's 5:00.575

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B1 HEAT 2
Ln Order Entry Time
OFFICIAL
1 1 Andover 4:40.546
2 2 St. Paul's 4:42.953
5 3 Hingham 4:47.678
4 4 St John's 4:48.911
3 5 Simsbury 4:50.816
6 6 Brookline 4:52.131

B1 GRAND FINAL
Ln Order Entry Time
OFFICIAL
3 1 Andover 4:36.504
4 2 Kent 4:36.788
6 3 St. Paul's 4:43.605
2 4 Salisbury 4:45.713
1 5 Tabor 4:48.647
5 6 Brunswick 4:50.472

Sport: Girls Crew

Year: 2009

Captain: Isabel Englested

Coach: Kathryn Green

Assistant Coaches: Jeanette Saraidaridis, Jackie Latina, Peter Salstman

Season Record

Won 0 Lost 2 Tied 0

2nd @ Interschols

Letterwinners

Askew, Morgan
Chen, Vivian
Engelsted, Isabelle
Fanikos, Kaitlin
Farrell, Alexandra
Faulkner, Kristen
Garden, Taylor
Harmange, Claire
Ireland, Louise
Lyons, Allison
Moroney, Alexandra
Motlow, Elena
Oines, Nalani
Panaccio Tresham, Olivia
Rauh, Carly
Rutter, Sarah
Segall, Erica
Tanski, Emilie

Phillips Academy

Girls Crew

Roster 2009

Name	Yr	Hometown
Adler, Emily	2012	Brookline, MA
Askew, Morgan	2011	Takoma Park, MD
Azaret, Lydia	2012	North Andover, MA
Carpenter, Shelby	2012	Topeka, KS
Carrolo, Elizabeth	2011	Andover, MA
Centofanti, Shelby	2011	Middleton, MA
Chen, Vivian	2010	Cincinnati, OH
Collins, Meghan	2011	Andover, MA
Coravos, Cassandra	2011	Andover, MA
Engelsted, Isabelle	2009	Cambridge, MA
Erickson, Sophia	2011	APO, AA
Fanikos, Kaitlin	2011	Andover, MA
Farrell, Alexandra	2010	Setauket, NY
Faulkner, Kristen	2011	Homer, AK
Freedman, Sarah	2012	Andover, MA
Garden, Taylor	2011	Greenwich, CT
Harmange, Claire	2011	Andover, MA
Hebb, Katherine	2012	Cambridge, MA
Hofmann, Franziska	2011	Carlisle, MA
Howell, Olivia	2011	Boxford, MA
Hoyt, Grace	2011	Boxford, MA
Ireland, Louise	2009	Boston, MA
Jaekle, Emily	2012	North Andover, MA
Keen, Sydney	2012	Reading, MA
Kwon, MinYoung	2010	Seoul, KOREA
Lanzo, Kerry	2011	Towson, MD
Lyons, Allison	2009	Reading, MA
Moroney, Alexandra	2011	Manchester, MA
Morris, Kaytlin	2011	Lawrence, MA
Motlow, Elena	2009	San Francisco, CA

Muderrisoglu, Aysen	2011	Wellesley, MA
Oines, Nalani	2012	Missoula, MT
Pak, Yerin	2011	Seoul, KOREA
Panaccio Tresham, Olivia	2009	Chicago, IL
Peretz, Zary	2011	Allentown, PA
Powers, Kelly	2011	Saratoga Springs, NY
Quinn, Julia	2012	Andover, MA
Rauh, Carly	2010	Andover, MA
Rountree, Marion	2009	Andover, MA
Rutter, Sarah	2009	North Andover, MA
Segall, Erica	2009	Andover, MA
Shoemaker, Margot	2012	Greensboro, NC
Simister, Eve	2012	Wellesley, MA
Sohn, Natalee	2011	Newton, MA
Sun, Nathalie	2010	San Francisco, CA
Tanski, Emilie	2011	Lexington, MA
Thamthieng, Tananya	2012	Bangkok,THA
Vehrenkamp, Svenja	2009	Hannover,
Woonton, Katherine	2011	Boxford, MA
Zanazzi, Emma	2011	Andover, MA

Coach: Kathryn Green
Assistant Coaches: Jeanette Saraidaridis, Jackie Latina & Peter Salstman

Schedule and Record

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Record: 0/~~2~~4/0

DATE/TIME	OPPONENT	H/A	TYPE	SCORE
4/11 @ 2:00 PM	Kent School	A	Game	L G4-win ; G1,G2, G3-loss
4/18 @ 2:00 PM	PA/PEA Invitational	A	Game	L
4/22 @ 2:00 PM	Groton School	H	Game	
5/2 @ 3:30 PM	St. Paul's/CRI/Hanover HS	H	Game	L G1 & G2-2nd G4 1st
5/9 @ 3:00 PM	Tabor/ Exeter	H	Game	
5/16 @ 1:00 PM	N.M.H.	A	Game	W
5/23 @ 8:00 AM	Interscholastics	N	Game	L

Kent
4/11/2009

1500 meters
conditions: cold and wet, flat water, slight tail-wind, strong current (rowing with the current)

G4--on starting line *
A 5:52.2
K 5:52.6

*this race was started again, due to an over-the-head crab in the Kent boat during the first 30 seconds of the (first) race.

G3--one length above starting line
K 5:48.0
A 5:52.8

G2--two lengths above starting line
K 5:36.2
A 5:43.5

G1--two lengths above starting line
K 5:26.4
A 5:29.3

PA/PEA Invitational
4/18/2009

GIRLS RESULTS

G1:
Exeter 5:01.8
Andover 5:02.2
Simsbury 5:08.8
Boston Latin 5:15.1
NMH 5:17.7
Brookline 5:28.3

G2:
Andover 4:52.2
Exeter 4:53.8
Boston Latin 4:55.7
Simsbury 4:59.3
Brookline 5:10.0
NMH 5:12.9

G3:
Exeter 5:18.4
Andover 5:33.2
Simsbury 5:46.3
Boston Latin 5:51.8
Brookline 6:13.05

G4:
Andover 5:20.2
Exeter 5:28.7
Boston Latin 6:05.3

St. Paul's/CRI/Hanover HS
5/2/2009

Distance: 1500m
Conditions: ideal conditions: flat water, not a lot of current, and little wind--just a very slight tailwind.Comments:There were no times taken in the G3 race.

Varsity 8:
CRI 5:17.3
Andover 5:18.9
Hanover 5:29.6
St. Paul's 5:30.4

2nd Varsity 8:
CRI 5:33.4
Andover 5:35.6
Hanover 5:47.8
St. Paul's 5:48.9

G3: No Times taken

G4:
Andover 5:58.7
CRI 6:04.9
Hanover 6:08.9
St. Paul's 6:11.9

Tabor/Exeter
5/9/2009

Distance: 1500m
Conditions: floating start with moderate current (so races started in different places). occasionally breezy at the start, but mostly flat water for the body of the race.

G1:
Andover 5:20.95
Exeter 5:21.85
Tabor 5:32.98

G2
Exeter 5:21.1
Andover 5:24.7
Tabor 5:42.2

G3:
Exeter 5:48.1
Andover 5:55.1
Tabor 6:22.6

G4:
Andover 5:26.8
Exeter 5:27.7
Tabor 5:53.7

G5:
Exeter 5 5:27
Andover 5:39
Exeter 6 5:54

Interschols

5/23/2009

G3 HEAT 1

Ln Order Entry Time

OFFICIAL

1 1 Kent 5:30.883

2 2 Andover 5:33.388

3 3 St. Paul's 5:37.218

5 4 Tabor 5:52.256

4 5 Brookline 5:56.050

6 6 E Lyme 6:04.506

G3 GRAND FINAL

Ln Order Entry Time

OFFICIAL

3 1 Exeter 5:34.372

5 2 Hanover 5:38.541

4 3 Kent 5:38.871

6 4 St. Paul's 5:41.131

2 5 Andover 5:42.843

1 6 Simsbury 6:05.879

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G2 HEAT 2

Ln Order Entry Time

OFFICIAL

1 1 Kent 5:17.360

2 2 Andover 5:21.911

3 3 Tabor 5:25.330

4 4 Simsbury 5:28.746

6 5 E Lyme 5:40.929

5 6 Stonington 5:44.814

G2 GRAND FINAL

Ln Order Entry Time

OFFICIAL

4 1 Exeter 5:25.963

5 2 Andover 5:27.050

3 3 Kent 5:33.603

2 4 Hanover 5:37.519

6 5 St. Paul's 5:42.879

1 6 Tabor 5:49.858

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G1 HEAT 1

Ln Order Entry Time

OFFICIAL

3 1 St. Paul's 5:08.581

1 2 Andover 5:08.867

2 3 Hanover 5:12.400

4 4 Hingham 5:25.401

5 5 Sacred Heart 5:28.342

6 6 Stonington 5:29.770

G1 GRAND FINAL

Ln Order Entry Time

OFFICIAL

3 1 Exeter 5:09.157

1 2 Andover 5:12.929

6 3 Tabor 5:17.632

5 4 Kent 5:17.892

4 5 St. Paul's 5:27.481

2 6 Simsbury 5:28.272

Top Boats Look to Dominate the Waters in '09 Competitions

By Kristen Faulkner
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

After taking home the team trophy from Interschols last spring, the Boy's Crew team ended the 2008 season on a high note.

With five returning rowers on boat one and coxswain Iris Chang '09, the team has high aspirations for another spectacular season.

"There is a lot of experience on our team this year," said Conor May '09. "We have more depth than I've seen in all my four years here, so we are certainly aiming to win the team trophy again this year."

The boy's team certainly does have incredible depth, completely filling its six boats with eight people each.

"There are lots of returning kids, so our team is not only large but very experienced as well," said Shaun Stuer '09. "Preseason was short, but everyone looks great, is working hard, and is enthusiastic about the upcoming season."

Mr. Washburn recently drafted the lineup for the team's first meet against Kent next Saturday, April 11.

The Girl's Crew team also concluded last season with impressive performances at Interschols, as the first boat finished third, the second boat finished second, and the third boat also qualified at second place.

In preparation for the upcoming season, the team has pulled multiple 2ks and 4ks to get in shape physically. Andover was able to practice on the water for the first time this week.

Because it is still the beginning of the season, the team is currently working a lot on technique and sorting rowers into appropriate boat assignments.

"It feels so great to be back out on the water," said Katie Fanikos '11. "We have an awesome team this year, and plenty of potential. But right now our focus is on our first race against Kent."

Both teams will begin the 2009 rowing season away against the Kent School on April 11.

Andover Boats Lose First Meet of The Season Against Kent School

By Kristen Faulkner
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Despite the teams' hard work on the water over these past two weeks, Andover faced tough losses against Kent in its first meet of the season on Saturday.

Among the six boats that raced this weekend, only two brought home victories.

The boys first boat took an early lead in its race, but Kent was able to surpass it during the middle 500 meters.

Kent maintained the lead throughout the rest of the race and beat Andover by eight seconds.

"We had a great start, but after that, we had so much adrenaline that we never settled down the rating until it was too late, at which point Kent moved on us," said Teddy Teece '09.

"This was our first race of the season and Kent's third, so they were just calmer than we were," he continued.

According to Teece, Andover faced other disadvantages as well.

"They moved in front of us so we were rowing in their wash for the majority of the race, which is something we could have protested if this were interschols," he said.

The boys second boat had an exceptional start, and continued this positive momentum throughout the race.

Kent pulled a power ten strokes after each 500 meters, all of which Andover's second boat was able to hold off.

By the middle 500 meters of the race, Andover's second boat was an entire boat length ahead of Kent. Andover won by 2.2 seconds and with an open water lead.

"There was no better way to start off the season," said Chris Calkins '11. "The victory was a real confidence boost for our boat."

The girls first boat experienced a close loss, but followed a much different race plan from the boys' boats.

Kent's girls first boat took the lead at the start, and gained an entire boat-length up on Andover after the first 100 meters.

Andover managed to shrink the gap during the middle 500 meters, and maintained a half of a boat length behind Kent for the remainder of the race. Kent won by three seconds.

"Having trained over spring break, Kent has a more developed race plan than we do this early on in the season," explained coxswain Erica Segall '09.

"They went off at a higher stroke rating, had bigger moves, and knew how to sprint."

She continued, "Only a week into our season, we stayed right on the tail of a crew that had been training for weeks, and we certainly didn't make their win easy for them."

She hopes that as the season progresses the team's timing will improve, its technique will become cleaner, and its race plan will become more focused and refined.

Kent got ahead of the Andover's girls second boat within the first five strokes of the race, and maintained this distance until the finish.

Kent pulled at a higher stroke rating the entire way through, and finished 7.3 seconds ahead of Andover.

This week, as the team prepares to face its first meeting of the season with Exeter, it will work on increasing its speed off the line and improving its effectiveness at the base rating, where the entire Andover team rows the bulk of the race.

Six Wins in Regatta Gives Andover Victory

By Kristen Faulkner
PHILLIPIAN **SPORTS WRITER**

Andover crew put on an outstanding performance at this weekend's regatta in Worcester, winning six out of their eight races.

Exeter, Simsbury, Northfield Mount Hermon, St. John's Prep, Brookline, and Boston Latin all sent boats as well.

All five of the boys' boats swept the competition by considerable margins. The boy's first boat was tied with Simsbury and NMH after the start, but managed to break from the pack after the first 500 meters.

Andover continued to extend its lead and finished first ahead of NMH by 12 seconds.

"Our settle was much better in this race than in our race against Kent," said Kyle Rogers '09.

A steady stroke rate and synced catch timings, both improvements from last weeks race against Kent, proved to be vital elements in the team's success this weekend.

Andover's second boat had two seats up on St. John's Prep after the start. Andover continued to gain significant ground until the last 500 meters, at which point the team maintained its distance until the finish.

"We haven't worked on our sprint yet, so we didn't move ahead anymore, but we also didn't lose any ground," said Curtis Hon '10.

Exeter passed St. John's Prep in the final 500, and Andover finished with an eight second lead in front of Exeter.

The boys' third boat faced a closer race, fighting with St. John's for the lead until the last 500 meters, where Andover pulled ahead and managed to win by less than two seconds.

"We made a great 40-stroke move during our middle 500, and were able to start pulling away from the other boats," said Julian Danziger '11.

"We started strong and maintained our strength throughout the entire race. Everything just clicked in our boat during those five minutes," he added.

The girl's first boat fought an exceptionally close race against Exeter, chasing its arch-rival stroke-for-stroke to the finish line.

Andover caught Exeter's bow ball right after the start and maintained this lead until the final 500 meters.

Andover's lead diminished when Exeter kicked in an early sprint and surged through the last 500 meters.

The tension heightened as the two opponents pulled dead even with the final few strokes of the race.

But Exeter pulled ahead and out-touched Andover by a mere .4 seconds.

"I knew Exeter was going to have a move towards the end of the piece, but I was surprised at how much they were able to come back," said Captain Isabelle Engelsted '09.

The team has spent the past two weeks of practice focusing on the first and sec-

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Second Boat Finishes First While Third Boat Falls Behind in Race

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ond 500 meters of the race.

Englested said, "Our last 500 could use some work, but we haven't focused on that yet. Once we do, we will be a tough crew team to beat."

The girls' second boat placed first in its race, followed closely behind by Exeter and Boston Latin. After the first 100 meters Andover had a seat up on Exeter, and it continued to gain water during the entire race.

The girls' third boat took an early lead, but Exeter slowly crept up and passed Andover at the 500 meter mark.

Exeter expanded its lead throughout the rest of the race and finished 15 seconds ahead of Andover.

On Saturday, the boys' team will face Salisbury and Brunswick.

Top Five Andover Boats Defeat Salisbury and Brunswick

By Kristen Faulkner
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover boys dominated the regatta this weekend, winning four of the five races against Brunswick and Salisbury.

Andover's first boat took the lead as soon as it settled after the start, and it continued to gain ground throughout the entire race. Andover finished with a six second lead over Salisbury.

The boys' second boat started the race down by a few seats off the start and stayed about a half a length down during the first thousand meters. It was the first time this season that Andover's second boat was down to another school at any point in a race, but the team overcame this challenge with perseverance.

Each time the other boat made a move, Andover held on and stayed with it. Finally, with 500 meters to go, Andover powered its final move and neared the Salisbury boat with each stroke.

Andover's second boat finished with a solid four-second victory. "It wasn't our prettiest race, and we certainly took some bad strokes," said Charlie Walters '10. "But our will to win was far greater than theirs. There isn't a person on our boat who has or will take an easy stroke."

Andover's third boat dominated its race, gaining a quick lead off the start and separating from the pack the entire way. The team made a move after each 500 meters to increase its lead, and finished with a sweeping win by more than fourteen seconds.

Both of Andover's fifth and sixth boats competed in the same race, placing first and second over their competition, respectively.

The race opened with a shocking start as Andover and Salisbury crashed boats right off the line. The race restarted, however, and Andover's fifth boat immediately took the lead.

Following close behind was Salisbury in second and Andover's sixth boat in third.

The tides turned when Salisbury caught a crab going into the final 600 meters and Andover surpassed its rival to steal second place. Andover's sixth boat maintained its position and beat Salisbury by 11 seconds.

Top Boats Surge Past Exeter

Girls Team Names New Racing Boat

By Kristen Faulkner
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Over a hundred athletes, coaches, parents and alumni watched intently as the Andover Girls Crew team christened its new boat, the Bache, on Saturday. The boat was a donation from devoted alumni, parents and friends of Andover crew.

The Bache family, who funded a large portion of the boat's cost, attended the race on Saturday.

Katie Fanikos '11 said, "Having the Bache family there, as well as all of our other Andover supporters, was so motivational and inspiring."

The girls' first boat rowed an outstanding race, battling Exeter for every stroke. The three teams racing, Andover, Exeter and Tabor, were even after the 500 mark until Andover and Tabor crashed oars under the bridge.

Exeter benefited from the collision and quickly gained four seats on Andover and Tabor. Fortunately, Andover recuperated quickly and resisted any further attempts by Exeter to advance its lead.

Andover retaliated against the setback with a power ten that brought them a seat ahead of Exeter.

At the thousand meter mark, Andover took another

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Final Kick Gives Late Burst Over Exeter

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move to secure its lead by four seats.

With a minute left, Andover kicked in its final 40-stroke sprint and surged passed Exeter, winning by over a half a boat length.

The girls' second boat was tied with Exeter off the starting line, losing Tabor within the first twenty strokes.

At the 500 meter mark, Exeter presented a power ten strokes to pull ahead, and continued to expand its lead until it had open water on Andover.

Andover struck back to bridge the gap between the two boats, but maintained a boat-length behind Exeter throughout the remainder of the race.

Andover finished second to Exeter, and beat Tabor by over 17 seconds.

The boys' first boat began its race with a quick start. As the three teams entered the body of the race around the 500 meter mark, Andover and Tabor split away from Exeter.

Andover made an early move about two minutes into the race and passed Tabor. Andover held a boat-length lead throughout the rest of the race and won by over three seconds.

In the boys' second boat race, Exeter split from the pack at the start and maintained a four-seat lead until the 500 meter mark.

Andover made its move and passed Exeter, lengthening its lead until it was an entire boat-length ahead of Exeter.

Andover won by three seats over Exeter, and beat Tabor by over 23 seconds.

Despite the victory, Curtis Hon '10 said, "The boat felt really rushed. Our rating was up to 44 after the start and we settled to a 36. Our comfort rating is much lower, around a 34."

He continued, "The slight tailwind certainly affected the speed of our slide and stroke rating, but nonetheless, it is something we need to work on."

The girls' and boys' first three boats will travel to Northfield Mount Hermon this Saturday to race Andover's last dual meet of the season before Interschols.

Crew Overcomes Tough Course To Secure Victory Against NMH

By Kristen Faulkner
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Despite a winding course and tumultuous waters, Andover won all eight of its races this past weekend against Northfield Mount. Hermon. For the fourth, fifth and sixth boats, this feat marked the conclusion to a very successful season.

The girls' first boat started in the forefront of a staggered start, positioned to take the outside turn farther down the course. Andover gained a few seats on NMH in the first 100 meters, but faced a hurdle of river swells as the boat cruised down the middle of the river. But Andover did not let this obstacle deter from the boat's stability, and while maintaining composure, the team traversed the rough current and preserved its lead.

"Our goal was to continue increasing our lead throughout the entire race, and to never settle with just being ahead," said Sarah Rudder '09. "We aimed to gain on our opponents constantly, with every stroke."

The girls' second boat split from NMH early in the race and left its opponents to paddle through Andover's choppy wake. The team extended its lead to a 23 second victory and finished with plenty of open water over NMH.

The girls' third boat tossed and turned at the start, fighting to keep balance as the current pummeled the boat from side to side. At the 300 meter mark, Andover broke from NMH and finished with a 23 second win.

An unexpectedly rushed countdown left the girls' fourth boat hurried at the start. Only fifteen seconds into the race, the boat caught a crab and came to a complete halt. The team spent over six seconds recovering from the incident and repositioning its oars. However, due to the staggered-start advantage, Andover was able to uphold its lead and resume the race. With only four seats up on NMH, Andover accelerated its stroke count until it regained open water, and finished several boat lengths ahead of NMH.

The boys' first boat passed NMH at the start, and continued to advance its lead throughout the rest of the race. As NMH approached the inside turn, it pulled a power twenty strokes in an attempt to bridge the gap, but Andover struck back and withstood the threat. Andover retained its lead and finished with open water over NMH.

The boys' second and third boats won by outstanding margins of 25 seconds and 29 seconds, respectively. Both teams captured an early lead and separated from NMH the entire race.

NMH has an unusually short race course, and this weekend's races lasted over a minute less than most races. Additionally, the distance markers were scattered along the shoreline at inconsistent intervals, making it difficult for the coxswains to know where they were during the race.

Nonetheless, Aysen Muderrisoglu '11 said, "Everyone was relaxed and having so much fun. It was such a great way to end the season."

The first three boats are now focused on heading to Worcester, where the interscholastic championship will be held next weekend.

"We had an excellent race against NMH," said Ryan Marcelo '10. "But now our focus has shifted to NEIRA's and winning the team trophy."

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The boys first boat celebrates its first place finish over Kent at Interschols on Saturday.

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Crew Ends Season with First and Second Place Finishes at Interschols

By Kristen Faulkner
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover Crew won the team trophy at Interschols last Saturday, marking a glorious conclusion to the spring season.

The boys' first boat battled stroke for stroke against Kent as it carved its way down the course. Both Kent and Andover stole inches from each other with every stroke, exchanging the lead as the two boats approached the finish line. With 100 meters left in the final race of the day, Andover powered its last ten strokes and seized the lead. Andover crossed the finish line only a fraction of a second ahead of Kent and won the gold.

The boys' second boat also had a close, but victorious, race against Kent. The two opponents cruised down the course with open water on Salisbury, Exeter, Brunswick and St. Paul's. Andover accelerated into the finish line and grabbed the win by just .4 seconds.

The boys' third boat fought against Salisbury in the closest race of the day. Competing for second place to Exeter, the two teams crossed the finish line together, but Andover grasped second place by a shockingly small margin of just .002 seconds.

The girls' first boat faced a tough setback in preliminaries when an oar socket came undone after the first twenty strokes. But the team continued rowing and fixed the problem during the race. During the finals, Andover and Exeter were even after the start, but Exeter pulled a move and secured a four-seat lead. Andover tried to regain the lost seats, but Exeter took even more, increasing its lead to an entire boat length. Exeter maintained its lead and finished three seconds ahead of Andover.

The girls' second boat also placed second to Exeter. After securing open water on third place Kent after the start, Andover maintained contact with Exeter and the two teams split from the rest of the pack. Exeter maintained a steady lead above Andover and won by two seconds.

The girls' third boat placed fifth to Exeter, Hanover, Kent and St. Paul's School. Andover and St. Paul's rowed side-by-side going into the final sprint, but St. Paul's pulled ahead and captured fourth by almost two seconds.

Sport: Cycling

Year: 2009

Captain: Hilary Rich

Coach: Thayer Zaeder

Assistant Coach: Susanne Torabi

Season Record

Won 8 Lost 0 Tied 0

Second @ Interschols

Letterwinners

Chafee, Louisa
Discenza, Michael
Fleming, Scott
Levene, Abigail
Nguyen, Eliza
Novis, Austen
Rich, Hilary
Wehner, Vivian

PHILLIPS ACADEMY
Cycling
2009 Roster

Name	Yr	Hometown
Ambroze, Drake	2010	Atlanta, GA
Chafee, Louisa	2009	Providence, RI
Discenza, Michael	2009	Burlington, CT
Fleming, Scott	2010	Salt Lake City, UT
Gulick-Stutz, Trevor	2009	Lake Oswego, OR
Nguyen, Eliza	2009	Old Lyme, CT
Novis, Austen	2011	Jamestown, RI
Rich, Hilary	2009	Andover, MA
Strand, Sascha	2010	Derby, KS
Thompson-Butler, Robert	2009	Oklahoma City, OK
Wehner, Vivian	2009	Monmouth, OR
Levene, Abigail	2009	Dublin, NH

Coach: Thayer Zaeder
Assistant Coach: Susanne Torabi

Schedule and Record

Record: 8/0/0

DATE/TIME	OPPONENT	H/A	TYPE	SCORE
4/22 @ 3:15 PM	Holderness	H	Game	W Boys A & Girls A 1st
4/26 @ 11:00 AM	Gould	A	Game	W Boys A, Girls A & Girls B - 1st
4/29 @ 3:15 PM	Kimball Union Academy	H	Game	W Boys A 1st; Girls A 3rd
5/2 @ 3:00 PM	Phillips Exeter	A	Game	W Boys A; Girls A; Girls B - 1st
5/6 @ 3:15 PM	Proctor Academy	H	Game	W Boys A 1st; Girls A 2nd; Girls B 4th
5/9 @ 3:15 PM	Profile School	H	Game	W Girls A 1st; Girls B 1st; Boys A 2nd
5/13 @ 3:15 PM	New Hampton School	H	Game	W Girls A 1st; Girls B 1st; Boys A 4th
5/16 @ 2:00 PM	Phillips Exeter Academy	A	Game	W Girls A 1st; Boys A 2nd

Cycling Dominates Competition In First Two Races of Season

By Katie Fanikos
PHILLIPIAN **SPORTS WRITER**

Looking to once again dominate the competition this season, Andover Cycling started out well by earning first place in both of its races so far.

This past Wednesday, the team traveled to Holderness to race against Exeter, Gould, and Holderness.

While boys and girls race separately, both Abby Levene '09 and Mike Discenza '09 placed first after their 22 mile races.

Captain Hillary Rich '09 followed in second place in the girls' race, and Austin Novis '11 finished second in the boys' race.

On Sunday, the team traveled to Gould academy. Working together with Levene, Rich managed to secure second place in her race. "Strategy is key in cycling," said Levene. "It's much easier to ride behind someone than in front of them."

Rich said, "Everyone's definitely given the races their all, and we're especially good during the final sprints, bringing it into the line strong."

Newcomers Levene, Scotty Flemming '10, Sascha Strand '10, and William Thompson-Butler '09 look to bring depth to the team. The team also has a strong group of returners including Rich, Discenza, Novis, Louisa Chafee '09, Eliza Nguyen '09 and Vivian Wehner '09.

Some things the team looks to improve upon this season are nonverbal communication skills and building stronger aerobic bases.

While the Andover team is one of the strongest teams in the league, the cyclists continuously strive to better their times. "We always want to make each race better than the last one. We take the things we did well, and the things we need to improve on, and focus practices based on those," Discenza said.

Three Out of Four Cycling Teams Earn Championship Victories

By Katie Fanikos
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

On Wednesday the Andover cycling team traveled to Bristol, New Hampshire to ride in their final league race of the season where Andover riders placing first in three divisions – Girls' Varsity A, Girls' Varsity B and Boys' Varsity A divisions.

The New Hampton School hosted the championship race.

The team performed outstandingly well. The race, ending on an uphill, posed as a challenge for the riders, but all performed to their best ability.

The Girls' Varsity B team in particular dominated the racecourse, winning all of their category championships. Both Vivian Wehner '09 and Louisa Chafee '09 served as anchors for the team and won their division.

On the Girls' Varsity A team, captain Hilary Rich '09 had an exceptional performance. Backed up by Eliza Nguyen '09 and Abby Levene '09, Rich's incredible performance earned her the title of best overall individual girls' varsity rider in the league.

Though small in number, the Boys' Varsity A team did well with Mike Discenza '09, Austin Novis '11 and Scotty Fleming '10 were making key contributions on Wednesday and all throughout the season.

At the end of the day Andover placed second behind Exeter in the league standings, despite placing first in the league championships. Even though the team faced challenges due to its low numbers, Coach Samuel Zaeder said, "Andover riders rode a complete and stellar season."

Sport: Golf

Year: 2009

Captain: Jim Ricker

Coach: Brian Faulk

Assistant Coaches: Caroline Odden, Bill Scott

Season Record

Won 5 Lost 5 Tied 2

Letterwinners

Cahill, Dylan
Hamilton, Roo
Ho, Ben
Kerrigan, Chris
Lee, Andrew
Lee, Sophia
Lindsey, Will
Pecora, Charlie
Poss, James
Ricker, Jim
Smith, Lydia

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Golf
2009 Roster

Name	Yr	Hometown
Cahill, Dylan	2010	North Hampton, NH
Fowkes, Billy	2010	Woburn, MA
Gray, Alex	2010	New York, NY
Hamilton, Roo	2009	Aberdeen, Scotland
Ho, Ben	2011	Vancouver, Canada
Kerrigan, Chris	2011	North Reading, MA
Lee, Andrew	2010	Pittstown, NJ
Lee, Mollie	2010	Seoul, South Korea
Lee, Sophia	2009	Clyde Hill, WA
Lindsey, Will	2010	Durham, NC
Liu, Marie	2012	Crystal River, FL
Pecora, Charlie	2012	San Jose, CA
Poss, James	2010	Chestnut Hill, MA
Ricker, Jim	2009	Reading, MA
Ryu, Rachel	2012	Deerfield, IL
Smith, Lydia	2009	Lake Forest, IL

Coach: Brian Faulk
Assistant Coaches: Caroline Odden & Bill Scott

Schedule and Record

Record: 5/5/2

DATE/TIME	OPPONENT	H/A	TYPE	SCORE
4/4 @ 3:00 PM	Tabor Academy		Game	W 7-5
4/8 @ 2:30 PM	Exeter/GDA	H	Game	L 1-6
4/9 @ 3:45 PM	Belmont Hill School	H	Game	W 7-5
4/13 @ 4:15 PM	Newton Country Day		Game	T 2.5-2.5
4/15 @ 3:15 PM	Holderness School	H	Game	T 4.5-4.5
4/22 @ 3:30 PM	Proctor Academy	H	Game	W 8-1
4/24 @ 3:30 PM	Dana Hall	H	Game	W 5.5-1.5
4/25 @ 12:00 PM	Andover Invitational		Game	L 7th out of 8
4/29 @ 3:00 PM	St. Mark's School		Game	W 5.5-1.5
5/2 @ 3:30 PM	Deerfield Academy		Game	L .5-8.5
5/9 @ 2:00 PM	GA/Exeter		Game	L 3rd out of 3 teams
5/16 @ 2:00 PM	Exeter		Game	L 3-4

Strong Returners Lead Andover Golf

By Ben Ho
PHILLIPIAN **SPORTS WRITER**

With long drives and clutch putts, Andover golf looks to build on last year's successful season.

Led by Captain Jim Ricker '09 and a strong group of returners and new players, Andover will be a force to be reckoned with on the course this season.

Last season, Andover cruised through its first four matches, going 3-1 in tough early season conditions. At the Andover Newport Invitational, held at the famed Newport Country Club, Andover took third, just behind winner Deerfield.

After Newport came the final tournament of the year, a showdown between Andover, Exeter, and Governor's at seaside Portsmouth Country Club.

This final tournament was the third leg of a season long competition between these three schools for two prizes: the Lovell Cup and the Witherspoon Bowl. Although Andover never gave up, it failed to retain control of both these trophies.

This season, Andover looks to strike back hard at Exeter and Governor's to take back both of these trophies, as well as a win against league leader Deerfield.

Leading the team this year will be key returners Ricker, Ben Ho '11, and Will Lindsey '10.

Ho played at the number two spot last year, shooting a three over seventy-five at Newport to help Andover's finish. Captain Ricker was a stalwart member of the top five last season, helping to secure a solid finish at Newport, as well as a strong showing against Exeter at Portsmouth.

Although Andover's core is strong, it is the new golfers that will ultimately determine Andover's success this season. "We have a lot of quality players this year," said Lindsey. "If we can perform well throughout the top seven, I think we can definitely beat our biggest rival, Deerfield." Newcomers like Ruaridh Hamilton '09 and James Poss '10 look to take a strong position in the Andover top seven.

Said Coach Brian Faulk, "The new players will complement our returners nicely. Looking at the situation right now, we have great depth in the four to seven positions on the roster. Our top three will have to play well to fill the void left by the graduating players."

Although the Andover Invitational and the tri-matches against Exeter and Governor's are very important, the team's biggest goal this year is to take down powerhouse Deerfield.

"We want to take back the Lovell Cup and the Witherspoon Bowl," said Faulk. "However, our primary goals are to pummel Deerfield at Newport and to pummel Deerfield at Crumpin Fox."

With these goals in mind, Andover looks to start off the season strong. Andover will face off against Tabor at oceanside Kittansett Country Club on Saturday, followed by a tri-match against Exeter and Governor's at Essex Country Club.

Ho '11 and Hamilton '09 Lead Andover in One and Two Positions

By Ben Ho
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	7
Tabor	5

Exeter	6
Andover	1

With a delicate flop shot to a tucked pin, Roo Hamilton '09 secured a victory for Andover last Saturday at seaside Kittansett Country Club. Along with wins from James Poss '10 and Ben Ho '11, Andover cruised to a 7-5 win over Tabor in its first match of the season.

Play at Kittansett Country Club, one of Golf Digest's top one hundred courses in the country, was extremely difficult as the players encountered soggy fairways, rain and strong wind gusts of up to 35 miles per hour.

These conditions made a long course play even longer, with many players hitting long irons into holes where they may usually use a wedge.

Ho and Hamilton played in the number one and two positions for Andover. After a slow start the duo picked up momentum, with Ho winning four and two while Hamilton came from behind to steal a one up victory.

Along with these victories the two players also won their best ball match, grabbing three points for Andover.

Hamilton took the shot of the day, sinking a forty-foot slider to win the hole.

Poss, who also rallied from behind to win one up, was in the number three spot.

"Even though I got off to a shaky start, I was able to take advantage of the opportunities presented to me," he said.

"I hit the ball well throughout the round and was able to capitalize on my opponent's mistakes," he continued.

On Wednesday, Andover traveled to Essex Country Club to play against Exeter and Governor Dummer Academy in the season-long competition for the Lovell Cup and the Witherspoon Bowl.

The Lovell Cup is a match play competition between Andover and Exeter that consists of two separate matches, one at the beginning of the season and one at the very end.

Although the team fought hard, it lost to a strong Exeter team, who beat Andover 6-1 in the first leg of match play.

Andover also fell behind in the race for the Witherspoon Bowl, a season-long stroke play competition between Andover, Exeter and GDA.

Exeter took advantage of Andover's struggles to master the severely sloped greens at Essex. At the end of the day, Exeter had a sizeable lead over second place Andover and third place GDA.

After a match against Belmont Hill on Thursday, Andover will look to take down Holderness next Wednesday at Indian Ridge Country Club.

Long Drives and Precise Shots Prove Advantageous in Victory

By Ben Ho
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	**8**
Proctor	**1**

Captain Jim Ricker '09 and Roo Hamilton '09 came up big for Andover Golf last Wednesday, as they both sunk putts of over thirty feet for par to secure an Andover victory against Proctor. Andover dominated Proctor at a soggy Indian Ridge layout, winning by an impressive margin of 8-1.

Although the weather was perfect for golf before the golfers teed off, the clouds moved in, providing terrible conditions for golfing. Soon every golfer was drenched, as the rain did not let up for the entirety of the round.

The weather caused complications, as each player had trouble keeping a good grip on the club. Andover players managed to fight through the weather, taking the initiative in each of their matches.

Teeing off first for Andover were Ben Ho '11 and James Poss '10. After making a birdie three on the first hole, Ho and Poss ran away with their matches, winning their best ball match five up with three to go.

Ho and Poss then put both of their individual matches away on the seventh hole, an uphill par three of 180 yards, as Poss two putted from forty feet to win. Both of the players made par threes, taking three points to give Andover the lead.

Poss said, "The really important thing was to keep the ball in play by hitting it in the fairway. I was able to do this, as well as take advantage of the par threes, which ended up being the crucial holes in my match".

Following closely behind were Ricker and Hamilton, who both got off to good starts. However, their opponents eventually came back, taking the match to the par five ninth hole.

Ricker and Hamilton had tricky putts and they both faced tough sliders to win their matches. Hamilton putted first, draining his putt, while Ricker followed and drained a putt of just less than twenty feet. This effort gave Andover the lead, as the duo took three points for the team.

Coach Brian Faulk was very satisfied with the team's performance. He said, "I was very proud of the team's performance today. I am glad we had some practice playing in tough conditions as we prepare for the Andover Invitational at Newport this Saturday."

After a solid start to the season, Andover will take on seven other teams at the Andover Newport Invitational held at the famed Newport Country Club. Faulk said, "I would be very happy if we could get a score in the seventies and the rest in the eighties. In order to do this, the players need to learn how to avoid big numbers, and to more importantly recover if those numbers do show up on the scorecard."

Consistent Play Throughout Match Earns Win Against St. Mark's

By Ben Ho
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Shooting off four birdies, Roo Hamilton '09 led Andover to a huge win over St. Mark's last Wednesday. Hamilton was two under through three holes, and he easily finished his St. Mark's opponent two and one.

The match was held at the St. Mark's golf course, right on the St. Mark's campus. In perfect golfing conditions, the greens at Saint Mark's were hard and fast, providing conditions at a level that the players have not seen until this point in the season. Andover took advantage of these perfect conditions, as it ended up thrashing St. Mark's 5.5 to 1.5.

Leading off for Andover were Ben Ho '11 and James Poss '10. While Ho struggled, losing one down to his opponent, Poss played fantastic golf, scoring only one bogey as he easily beat his opponent four and two.

Poss commented on his steady play, "I played really consistently today, and it really showed on the scorecard as I only had one bogey. The key to this was keeping the ball in play, and I also made every putt I looked at."

Teeing off right after Ho and Poss were the power pairing of Hamilton and Captain Jim Ricker '09. These two players have gone undefeated in their last two matches, and this one was no different. While Hamilton went on a birdie train, Ricker played his usual steady golf, taking out his opponent by avoiding traps and playing it safe. They both won with two holes to play.

Securing the win for Andover were Will Lindsey '10 and Chris Kerrigan '11 who took one and a half out of three points, with Kerrigan winning two up and Lindsey tying his opponent.

The Saturday before, the Andover top five traveled to historic Newport Country Club to play at their most important tournament of the season. It was at Newport that the first U.S. Amateur and U.S. Open Championships were held.

However, this majestic layout did not bow to Andover's will, as the lineup of Ho, Poss, Ricker, Hamilton, and Andrew Lee '10 struggled in the windy and foggy conditions. Hamilton shot the best score of the day for Andover with a respectable 83.

This Saturday, Andover will face off against a talented Deerfield squad at the challenging Crumpin Fox Golf Club. Ricker outlined what Andover will have to do to secure a win:

"Deerfield is always one of the powerhouses in New England, but we're feeling fairly good about our chances against them on Saturday."

He continued, "The match play format really suits our team's strengths and we have some momentum after the win at St. Mark's. Still, everyone will need to play up to their potential if we want to take down Deerfield on their home course."

Crucial Putt Gives Poss Win

Andover Struggles During Comeback

By Ben Ho
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James Poss '10 sunk a downhill slider to beat both of his opponents in the season long quest for the Witherspoon Bowl. The difficult and windy conditions at Olde Newbury Golf Club did not produce many low scores, and with Poss' gritty play Andover looked to make up on the huge lead that Exeter had developed over Andover and Governor's.

Going into the stroke play competition, Andover was far behind a talented Exeter team. With a thirty-stroke deficit to make up, Andover needed consistent scoring throughout the top seven in order to catch up with Exeter and hold off a more experienced Governor's squad.

Poss' great play produced a solid score of 40, two better than his competitor's. "I was able to hit almost all the fairways, so that takes a lot of trouble out of the way. The real key to stroke play is to not lose balls and to avoid double bogeys at all costs," Poss said.

But Andover needed more than just one good score to make up the huge deficit.

Though Andover's top two players put the team in a solid position, it was up to the middle of the ladder to produce the main results. The rest of the Andover squad struggled, however, with some high numbers appearing on the scorecards of the Andover golfers. On a tough day for Andover, it fell back another ten strokes to a very consistent

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Liu '12 Places Ninth

Looks to Capture Witherspoon Bowl

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Exeter team.

While the boys' team played at Olde Newbury, the girls' team had a tournament at Newton Country Club. Veterans Sophia Lee '09 and Lydia Smith '09 played eighteen holes, while newcomers Marie Liu '12 and Rachel Ryu '12 played nine holes, with Liu taking ninth overall in the nine hole competition.

Lee said, "It was a really fun day and the course was in really good condition. Lydia and I played okay, but it was really great to have fun in a competitive environment."

This weekend Andover will play in the final leg of the race for the Witherspoon Bowl and the Lovell Cup on Exeter's home turf at Portsmouth Country Club. Coach Brian Faulk said, "Our top five need to be around level par — if we do so I think we will sweep all of the matches and recapture both the Witherspoon and Lovell Cups."

Andover Falls Short of Witherspoon Cup with Loss to Exeter

By Ben Ho
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In the last leg of competition for the Witherspoon and Lovell trophies, Ben Ho '11 dropped a tricky ten footer on the final hole en route to a solid score of 78. It was a tough day at Portsmouth Country Club, as low scores were hard to find, but Ho's consistent play plus a near hole in one put Andover in a position to mount a comeback on the huge lead that Exeter had amassed over the last two legs.

Going into the day, Andover was 40 strokes behind in stroke play and needed a perfect sweep in match play in order to have any chance to catch a deep Exeter team. Coach Faulk stated last week that Andover would have to have five players shoot around level par if the team was to have a chance. From the beginning of the day, it was clear that Andover would have to accomplish the improbable if it were to steal the trophies away from Exeter.

While Ho came in with a solid score, the rest of the team struggled, as the subtle greens at Portsmouth Country Club beguiled the Andover golfers. James Poss '10 had a great week leading up to the final matchup of the season after tying for second two weeks ago at Olde Newbury. However, inconsistent ball striking plagued him throughout his round and he ended up losing his match to Exeter's number two.

However, Andover did not go out without a fight as the very bottom of the ladder played extremely well. Charles Pecora '12 shot an excellent score of 88 and beat his Exeter opponent easily, as his consistent play proved too much to handle. Pecora said, "My accuracy was dead on off the tee today, and that proved to be crucial as the conditions were rough with the fog and the long holes."

Chris Kerrigan '11 also took down his Exeter opponent at the number seven spot, shooting a good score of 91.

Coach Brian Faulk said, "We lost to the powerhouses [Deerfield and Exeter] again this year, but we improved our record overall as we beat Belmont Hill, Tabor, and St. Mark's. Captain Jim Ricker '09 was consistent as always, and Roo Hamilton '09 had some sparks where he played stellar."

Faulk looks forward to next season's play. He said, "With a solid core established this season and some great new additions arriving next year, we should be able to give Exeter and Deerfield a run for their money. It will be exciting to see how everything plays out."

Sport: Boys Lacrosse

Year: 2009

Captains: Spencer Rice, Jack Walker

Coach: Steve Carr

Assistant Coach: Steve Moreland

Season Record

Won 7 Lost 4 Tied 0

Letterwinners

Austin, Daniel
Dolan, Jay
Hirshberg, Ethan
Higgins, Matthew
Kreider, Christopher
Brown, Christopher
Kanter, Eric
Atiba, Joseph
Dyroff, Brooks
Braun, Trevor
Boll, Cameron
Houghton, Edward

Duprey, Luke
Kruy, Joseph
Cox, Forrest
Lederfine Paskal, Theodore
Macquarrie, Spencer
McKenna, John
Mosquera, Reid
Pohly, Andrew
Powers, Daniel
Rice, Spencer
Safstrom, Brian
Walker, Jack
Walker, William

PHILLIPS ACADEMY
Lacrosse Boys Varsity
2009 Roster

No	Name	Pos	Yr	Hometown
IR	Mosquera, Reid		2009	Andover, MA
1	Dolan, Jay	G	2011	Andover, MA
3	Duprey, Luke	D	2010	Concord, NH
4	Higgins, Matthew	M	2010	New Canaan, CT
6	Dyroff, Brooks	A	2009	Boulder, CO
7	Walker, William	A	2011	Scituate, MA
8	Atiba, Joseph	M	2009	La Selva Beach, CA
9	Rice, Spencer	G	2009	Gibsonia, PA
12	Pohly, Andrew	D	2009	Eastlake, OH
14	Braun, Trevor	D	2010	Windham, ME
15	Hirshberg, Ethan	M	2009	Concord, NH
16	Brown, Christopher	M	2009	Rancho Santa Fe, CA
17	Macquarrie, Spencer	A	2010	North Hampton, NH
18	Kreider, Christopher	A	2010	Boxford, MA
19	Safstrom, Brian	M	2010	Woodinville, WA
20	Houghton, Edward	M	2009	Toronto, Ont M6E 2S2,
21	Lederfine Paskal, Theodore	D	2009	Andover, MA
22	Kruy, Joseph	A	2012	Sudbury, MA
23	Walker, Jack	A	2009	Scituate, MA
24	McKenna, John	M	2010	Cohasset, MA
25	Boll, Cameron	A	2009	Winchester, MA
27	Powers, Daniel	M	2009	Cape Neddick, ME
30	Kanter, Eric	M	2009	Marblehead, MA
31	Austin, Daniel	D	2010	Franklin, TN
32	Cox, Forrest	D	2009	Alexandria, VA

Coach: Steve Carr
Assistant coach: Steve Moreland

Managers: Khadijah Owens '11 & Krystle Manuel-Countee '09

Schedule and Record

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Record: ~~7-4~~-0

DATE/TIME	OPPONENT	H/A	TYPE	SCORE
4/1 @ 3:30 PM	Belmont Hill	H	Game	W 12-4
4/8 @ 3:30 PM	Northfield Mount Hermon School	A	Game	W 9-7
4/11 @ 3:00 PM	Tilton School	H	Game	W 15-3
4/15 @ 4:00 PM	Brewster Academy	A	Game	L 4-9
4/18 @ 3:30 PM	Hyde School, ME	H	Game	W 16-3
4/22 @ 3:30 PM	Holderness School	H	Game	W 10-5
4/25 @ 6:30 PM	Deerfield Academy	H	Game	L 4-9
4/29 @ 3:30 PM	Tabor Academy	H	Game	L 3-5
5/2 @ 4:45 PM	Loomis Chaffee School	A	Game	W 10-4
5/6 @ 4:00 PM	Worcester Academy	H	Game	W 15-3
5/9 @ 3:00 PM	Kimball Union Academy	A	Game	L 8-9
5/16 @ 5:00 PM	Choate Rosemary Hall	H	Game	8-9
5/20 @ 2:00 PM	Pomfret School	H	Game	10-2
5/22 @ 7:00 PM	Phillips Exeter Academy	A	Game	4-9

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Spencer Macquarrie '10 looks to line up a shot after dodging a Belmont Hill defender in Andover's 12-4 win.

Six Point Performance from Jack Walker '09 Leads Lacrosse to Victory Over Belmont Hill

By Kyle Franco
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	12
Belmont Hill	4

With five goals in Andover Lacrosse's season opener against Belmont Hill, Co-Captain Jack Walker '09 showed why there is a lot of hype about this year's team.

Andover opened its season Wednesday against Belmont Hill, whose team is already three games into its season. Nevertheless, Andover came out ready to play despite only a few days of practice.

Walker set the tone for the game early, scoring his first goal three minutes into the first quarter. From there, Andover's offense exploded and capitalized on numerous scoring opportunities.

Walker scored four more goals, ending with five total. The other half of the dynamic Walker brother team, Will Walker '11, added two goals.

Chris Kreider '10, a member of Boys Varsity Hockey, scored three goals against Belmont Hill, showing that the transition from ice to turf is not all too difficult. Returning players Spencer Macquarrie '10 and John McKenna '10 added one goal each.

Another highlight performance came from Cam Boll '09, who tucked his first career goal.

Walker was very impressed with the team's performance. He said, "Belmont Hill is a very good team, so this was an especially great win." Walker was also satisfied with the level of play from the transition offense, led by McKenna and Kreider.

The offense accounted for only part of the success, however, as the defense managed to shut down the Belmont Hill attack.

Co-Captain Spencer Rice '09 picked up right where he left off last season and played another impressive game in goal. Rice only allowed four goals over the course of the game.

Luke Duprey '10 also played an aggressive game, accompanied on defense by Theo Lederfine-Pascal '09, Andrew Pohly '09 and Forrest Cox '09.

The defense, which also goes by the self-given title "Meat-Fense," was key in preventing Belmont Hill's shots.

In the end, the size and speed of Andover, combined with Rice's play in goal, was too much for Belmont Hill to handle.

Andover's dominating victory against Belmont Hill is only the start of what the team hopes will be a great season.

Led by the Walker brothers, Andover's offense is comprised of mostly returning players including Macquarrie, McKenna and Kreider. The only new addition to the offense is Chris Brown '09.

But the team suffered a huge loss when Reid Mosquera '09 tore his ACL during football season. Not only was he one of the team's top defenders, but he was also a leading force for Andover.

With the loss of Mosquera, the defense will have to step up this season in order for Andover to be victorious.

The new defense will be led by Lederfine-Pascal, who slid into the position Mosquera formerly held. Pohly has also emerged as a defensive force this season, and the addition of post-graduate Cox solidifies the defensive line.

This season looks very optimistic for Andover, who looks improve on last year's 10-5 record. Along the way, the team will face difficult opponents such as Deerfield, Choate, Loomis and Exeter.

On Monday, April 6 the team will travel to face cross-town rival Brooks.

Co-Captain Spencer Rice '09 Leads Comeback With 10 Saves

By Kyle Franco
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	9
NMH	7

With a left to right split dodge past his defender, John McKenna '10 had a clear look to the goal. With no slide coming and only the NMH goalie left to beat, McKenna ripped a shot into the low corner of the net to score the first goal in the 9-7 victory over NMH this past Wednesday.

Fresh off a 12-4 romping of Belmont Hill last week, Andover looked to continue its good start at NMH.

Andover strated out slow, and trailed after the first quarter 0-2. The team had issues keeping possession and keeping up a smooth offensive flow. On the defensive end, the trio of Andrew Pohly '09, Forrest Cox '09 and Theo Lederfine-Pascal '09, along with goalie Co-Captain Spencer Rice '09, kept a trio of flight-footed NMH attackmen at bay.

"We didn't do a good job clearing the ball and getting the offense started. We had a tough time getting off the bus, and it really showed in our play, especially in the first quarter," said attackman Spencer Macquarrie '10.

In the second quarter, Andover made a comeback and added two goals of its own. Unfortunately, thanks to another goal by NMH, Andover still trailed 2-3.

The third quarter seemed to preview Andover's downfall. NMH added two more goals, leaving Andover trailing by three.

The tide changed in the middle of the third, when Andover scored five goals. NMH had no response, and they entered the fourth in uncertain territory, down by a score of 7-5.

Andover sealed the deal in the fourth by generating two goals and completing a 7-0 scoring run. Despite a last sign of life by NMH with a sequence of two more goals, they could not overcome the deficit. In the end, Andover prevailed 9-7, thanks to its late surge.

Although they took a while to find their stride, the Andover offense scored when it counted. The entire offensive starting lineup of Co-Captain Jack Walker '09, McKenna, Will Walker '11, Macquarrie, Chris Brown '09 and Chris Kreider '10 all scored goals.

Kreider lead the way for Andover, scoring only one goal but contributing to the offense with four assists. Even more impressive than the distribution of scoring was the fact that Andover did it against a hard-nosed defense and a strong goalie.

Despite the seven goals that they allowed, which is actually a relatively low number in the game of lacrosse, the defense played incredibly. The defensive midfield of Joey Atiba '09, Eddie Houghton '09, and Brian Safstrom '10, along with the whole defensive lineup, did a fantastic job of shutting down the potent NMH offense.

Behind the beefy defensive unit, goalie Spencer Rice '09 played one of his best games ever in goal.

"He made some of the best saves I have ever seen," said Pohly. "Rice continues to prove why he such an invaluable member of this team, and how important he is to Andover's success."

Rice's self-sacrificing style of play is unmatchable and is one of his intangible qualities that is hard to find in a goalie.

Macquarrie added, "His ability to come up big in the clutch is extremely impressive and something that, as a team, we are very grateful to have."

The team was uncertain about its defense coming into the season after losing Reid Mosquera '09 to injury. But after today's performance, most of those concerns have been put to rest. If the defense can continue the physical and smothering play they have showed so far, attackmen across New England will quiver at the sight of Andover on their schedule.

Andover will take on a very tough Tilton team on Saturday at home in Phelps Stadium.

Lax Loses to Brewster

First Loss of Season Drops Andover to 3-1

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ing power they had against Tilton.

Andover came out strong in the first quarter, with Cam Boll '09 tucking a goal two minutes in. As the game unfolded, it turned out to be a battle between Andover's offense and Brewster's defense in the first quarter, as Andover kept possession for most of the quarter.

"In the first quarter we did a great job of keeping possession and playing our game. Over time, our team lost composure on offense as Brewster began to make their run," said Spencer Macquarrie '10.

Things went downhill for Andover in the last three quarters. In the second, Brewster was able to level the score at 1-1 with a cut down the back pipe and a feed to the crease.

Will Walker '11 scored for Andover shortly after to regain the lead for Andover. From here on out, the team's offensive rhythm and clearing game began to struggle.

Along with these breakdowns in Andover's game came long possessions from Brewster's offense, which eventually tired out the defensive unit. The combination of strong stick skills and a good knowledge of the game gave Brewster an edge and a level of play that Andover's defense had never seen before this season.

"On defense we didn't really do a good job of talking to each other and commnicating," said Safstrom.

Chris Kreider '10 and John McKenna '10 both added goals. When the final whistle blew, Andover came out with their first loss of the season against Brewster with a score of 9-4.

Overall, it was a very tough loss that Andover hopes to rebound from by winning against the Hyde School on Saturday.

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Will Walker '11 is surrounded by three Tilton Academy defenders as he catches the ball.

Andover Powers Through Rain to Overpower Tilton Academy 15-3

By Kyle Franco
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	15
Tilton	3

Brewster	9
Andover	4

With newcomer Brooks Dyoff '09 opening up his point otal in an explosive one-goalnd-two-assist performance, ndover blew Tilton out of he water with a breakout ofensive performance in a stunning 15-3 victory.

Andover absolutely dominated Tilton last Saturday, hanks to goals from many members of the offensive unit.

Tilton mustered only one goal in the first half, thanks to the incredible defensive play of Theo Lederfine Paskal '09, Andrew Pohly '09 and Forrest Cox '09, a trio that has stopped opposing offenses all season.

Paskal made several devastating and key strips, while Pohly continued to show how his gap year from lacrosse has not slowed him in the slightest. Both players have been forces in their positions.

The great defensive play was not limited to the starting trio, though. Trevor Braun '10, Brian Safstrom '10, Joey Atiba '09, Eddie Houghton '09 and Luke Duprey '09 all played important roles in keeping Tilton at bay. Eric Kanter '09 saw time on both sides of the field, and had a few solid scoring opportunities.

In addition to great defense, Atiba shined on offense, scoring his first goal of the season. Also adding to the point total was the team's youngest member, Joe Kruy '12.

In net, Co-Captain Spencer Rice '09, and backup goalie Jay Dolan '11 both had great games. Rice played the first half and allowed just one goal, while Dolan closed the game out in the second half, allowing two goals. Both goalies had outstanding and near perfect performances.

On Wednesday, while facing off against Brewster, Andover lacked some of the scor-

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Y. WATANABE/ *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Will Walker '11 finishes the ball in the crease in Andover's win over Hyde.

BOYS LACROSSE

Walker '09 and Kreider '10 Take Over Fourth Quarter in Victory

By Kyle Franco
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	16
Hyde	3

Andover	10
Holderness	5

After clearing the ball successfully and turning the corner on his defender, Chris Kreider '10 passed the ball on a line to Co-Captain Jack Walker '09. Walker proceeded to catch the pass and finish the ball gracefully past the goalie to cap off an offensive explosion to bury Holderness this past Wednesday in Andover's 10-5 win.

Andover took the lead early in the first. Two minutes in, Chris Brown '09 scored his first goal of the day, assisted by Will Walker '09. Minutes later, after Holderness scored their first goal of the game, Brown struck again.

Kreider and Walker '09 both added a goal each. In response to this, Holderness scored a goal to give Andover a 4-2 lead.

In the second quarter, Holderness tallied up another goal. Despite this latest offensive surge from Holderness, Spencer Macquarrie '10 and Kreider scored goals to put Andover ahead 6-3 at the half.

"The first half was the best I've seen the team play this year. The offense possessed for a long time and really broke down the defense, and we took advantage," said Walker '09.

Going into the second half, Andover had played a very composed offensive game, while maintaining a very high level of discipline on the defensive end.

The combination of the two came together for one of the best halves of lacrosse that Andover has played this season.

In the third quarter, Andover racked up the majority of its penalties for the game.

The high amount of penalties gave Holderness the opportunity to come back in the second half. They scored two quick goals to gain some ground on Andover to make the score 7-5 in the fourth quarter.

In what turned out to be the most exciting part of the game, Andover's Kreider and Walker 0'09 proceeded to take over the game, sealing Holderness' fate late in the game with a flurry of goals. The final score was 10-5

"Jack and Kreider really took hold of the game in the fourth, and were key in securing our win," said Eric Kanter '09.

Wednesday's win gave justice to the strength and dominance of the Andover defense.

With 10 penalities on the day, Andover was constantly playing one man down. The "Meatfense" stepped up to the challenge, as Andrew Pohly '09, Theo Lederfine-Paskal '09, and Forrest Cox '09 completely drained the Holderness offense.

Spencer Rice '09 played another great game in goal, making 10 saves and gaiving up five goals over the course of the game.

The victory over Holderness came after defeating the Hyde school.

Brown and Macquarrie made sure that the long drive home to Maine would not be a happy one for Hyde. Brown ripped four goals and one assist, while Macqurrie tucked three goals and had two assists.

Those two were not the only ones to contribute to the victory. Matt Higgins '10 scored two goals, the first of his Andover career, as did freshman Joe Kruy '12.

A goal of interest during the game came from Brian Safstrom '10, who scored his first career Andover goal.

This Saturday, Andover takes on their toughest opponent of the season in Deerfield Academy. Going into the game, Andover boasts a 5-1 record.

Deerfield has had a good season so far, going 8-0 while also being ranked as the 16th best high school in the country. Saturday night, under the lights at 6:30 p.m.

Andover Faces Tough Loss Against Undefeated Deerfield Squad

By Kyle Franco
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Deerfield	**9**
Andover	**4**

Tabor	**5**
Andover	**3**

Coming off a dodge up top and a leap in the air, Chris Kreider '10 capped off his three-goal performance against Deerfield with a crossbar-down shot that wowed the crowd. Despite Kreider's efforts, Andover lost to Deerfield with a score of 9-4.

Kreider shone this last week, scoring one goal against Tabor and three out of the four goals against Deerfield.

Last Saturday, Andover took on Deerfield, a perennial lacrosse powerhouse which has been undefeated for the past two years and remains atop the New England rankings every year.

According to laxpower.com, Deerfield was the 14th ranked team in the country going into the game. Andover knew it would be a tough test, despite the close games that have come in years past.

Unfortunately for Andover, all the hype about Deerfield's level of play was true. The Deerfield defense played very well, and shut down the Andover attack.

The strongpoint of Deerfield's offense was their midfielders. With Luke Duprey '10 suffering from a hamstring injury, Andover had trouble containing the prolific and electrifying Deerfield offense.

Going down 3-0 early in the game, Andover started off very slowly, losing face-offs and not keeping possession.

Despite the score, the Deerfield goals came in one short spurt, which speaks volumes about the Andover defense's consistent play that co ntinued throughout the night.

In the second quarter, Deerfield once again came out firing. However, Kreider was able to strike by carrying the ball end to end and taking advantage of transition games by scoring twice.

At the half, Andover was down 4-2, almost striking a perfect match with last year's game, which ended up 4-3 at halftime.

In the third quarter, Andover's defense began to get tired. Deerfield took advantage of the defense, and once again went on a shooting spree that gave them three more goals. As in the first, Andover's offense was shut out in the third.

The fourth began with a goal from the Deerfield offense that came off of a sour transition play. Andover's offense came to life, though, with a goal from Kreider. Deerfield once again scored on a man-up opportunity, and Will Walker '11 closed out the game with a goal in transition to make the final score 9-4.

Special recognition goes to goalie and Co-Captain Spencer Rice '09, who wowed spectators by playing one of the best games of his life.

"He really stood on his head out there. He made some of the best saves I have ever seen and really kept us in the game. Tonight, Spence proved to us all that he can play with the best," said Spencer Macquarrie '10.

Even though it was a hard loss, the game was played with great passion, and the festive atmosphere created by the crowd made for a very exciting night.

Walker '11 said, "It was a really intense game under the lights. Everyone felt like they played as hard as they could, but Deerfield brought their best."

Andover looked to rebound from the Deerfield loss on Wednesday against Tabor.

For Andover, the offensive woes continued.

Tabor came out running a zone defense, which forced Coach Carr to change up his offense. Unfortunately, the change did not work out too well for Andover.

Possession issues and unforced turnovers kept the Andover offense out of the game. Despite the efforts on the defensive end from the trio of Andrew Pohly '09, Forrest Cox '09 and Theo Lederfine-Paskal '09, the game ended with a final score of 5-3.

Andover looks to come back from the disappointing losses against a very strong Loomis Chaffee squad on Saturday.

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Matt Higgins '10 passes the ball off to an Andover attack man in Andover's 9-4 loss.

J. LEUNG/ *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Will Walker '11 runs past a Worcester defender in Andover's high scoring win last week.

By Kyle Franco
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

K.U.A.	9
Andover	8

After beating his man on a dodge, Co-Captain Jack Walker '09 fed a pass to Chris Kreider '10, who put the ball soundly in the bottom corner of the net past the K.U.A. goalie to score the game-tying goal. Upon returning to the face-off X, the goal was called back due to Kreider missing a mouthguard. Andover ended up losing the heartbreaker with a score of 9-8 against Kimball Union Academy.

The game started out with Andover on top, after Walker '09 broke the ice for Andover midway through the first quarter. Up to this point, the game was a back and forth affair, as the midfield for Andover found itself constantly running up and down the field in transition. Andover scored another goal, with K.U.A. answering right back. The first quarter ended with Andover on top, 2-1.

In the second quarter, Andover's offense exploded, match up that Kimball Union gave up at attack to have two long-poles up top. Scoring three unanswered goals, Andover was up 5-1 and seemed to be controlling the pace of the game. Trouble came for Andover when a goal scored by Spencer Macquarrie '10 got called back because of a crease violation towards the end of the half. Before the half-time buzzer sounded, Kimball Union managed to score another goal, entering the half on bottom with a score of 5-2.

In the second half, the momentum switched tremendously. Roles were reversed in the second half, as Kimball Union went on a 3-1 scoring streak to make the score 6-5. As the third quarter continued, Andover was only able to score one more goal, while K.U.A. just kept on rolling. By the end of the third, Andover was up by just one goal, and the game could go either way. Kimball Union managed to score two more goals in the fourth to complete their comeback and go up 9-8. Despite Andover's last-ditch efforts after the disastrous mouthguard penalty, Kimball Union managed dover its fourth loss of the season.

In the beginning, Andover had all of the momentum, going on a 5-1 scoring streak at the beginning of the game. However, Andover lost its momentum when the team was forced to play one man down against the full strength K.U.A. offense.

Overall, ten penalties were called against Andover, allowing the Kimball Union man-up team to unload an astounding six goals on Andover's defense. On the other side of the field, Andover received no man-up opportunities, despite the sometimes very physical play of the Kimball Union defense.

Highlight performances on the day include Walker, who netted three goals and added an assist to his season totals.

Macquarrie also had a good game, passing for four assists and scoring a goal of his own. Kreider played well, while Co-Captain Spencer Rice '09 added yet another great performance on to his highlight filled year.

Andover's next home game will be this Saturday at 5:00 p.m. against Choate.

B. BRODIE/ *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Captain Jack Walker '09 fights for a ground ball against a Choate defender.

BOYS LACROSSE

Andover Lacrosse Drops 5-1 Lead Against Choate in 9-8 Loss

By Kyle Franco
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	10
Pomfret	2

Choate	9
Andover	8

Co-Captains Jack Walker 09 and Spencer Rice '09 made sure their last game in Phelps Stadium was an Andover victory, with both of them playing very impressively against Pomfret. Walker '09 netted five impressive goals while Rice allowed just two goals in four quarters.

Andover tried pushing the ball in transition in order to prevent Pomfret from setting up their zone defense. The highlight play of the day came when Andrew Pohly '09 made his first mark in the scorebook, gaining an assist after starting a fast break. The offense clicked early in the game and allowed Andover to get off to a good start. The great offense continued throughout the game, giving Andover the 10-2 win over Pomfret.

The great win against Pomfret followed a heartbreaking Saturday night loss to rival Choate.

Andover started on fire, with Walker '09 netting a goal only thirty-five seconds in. Early on, the offense clicked very well and their passing created some nice scoring chances.

Fellow attackman Spencer Macquarrie '10 kept up the scoring trend by adding another goal off of a dodge to put Andover up 2-0.

Chris Brown '09 then found Will Walker '11 in front of the net for Andover's third goal of the game. Andover scored another goal to gain a 4-1 lead after the first quarter.

In the beginning of the second quarter, Will Walker returned the favor to Brown by finding him on the crease for an easy dunk. Brown's goal was the only offensive action of the quarter. At the end of the half, great defense and stellar offense kept Andover up 5-1.

Trevor Braun '10 played fantastic defense in the absence of Luke Duprey '10. Braun said, "In the first half we played very solid defense. We did a good job of containing our match ups."

The second half took a turn for the worse for Andover. Choate opened up with four unanswered goals.

Jack Walker broke up the flood of Choate success with a snipe down low. Brown trailed closely with another low shot with 5:25 left in the third, which put Andover up 7-6.

As the final minutes ticked off the clock, Andover trailed 7-8. Always cool under pressure, Jack Walker tied the game up, 8-8.

With just one minute left in the game, a Choate midfielder broke through the defense and scored the game-winning goal.

Andover's season will end with the season finale this Friday, at rival Phillips Exeter.

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Spencer Macquarrie '10 dives across the crease to score. The goal was called back because of a crease violation in the 9-4 loss.

Andover Closes 8-6 Season With 9-4 Loss to Exeter in Friday Night Away Game

By Kyle Franco
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Exeter	9
Andover	4

In one of the highlights of the Friday night game against rival Exeter, Chris Kreider '10 made a heroic effort on a one-man clear. He then proceeded, in his usual physical fashion, to power through Exeter's defense and put the ball past Exeter's senior goalie for Andover's first goal of the game. Unfortunately, Kreider's efforts weren't enough to beat a versatile Exeter squad, as lost the game 9-4.

In front of a roaring crowd of mostly Exeter fans, Andover stepped on to the field with confidence, knowing that it hadn't lost an Andover-Exeter game in six years. After a lengthy possession following the opening face-off, Andover gave up the ball on a forced shot. Exeter capitalized on the turnover by scoring the first goal of the game in transition.

The rest of the first half looked anything but problematic for Andover. The usual scoring suspects chimed in during Andover's offensively dominant first half. Kreider tallied another goal for Andover to make the game 2-1. Attackman Spencer Macquarrie '10 also contributed a goal in the first half off of a feed from Co-Captain Jack Walker '09. Walker did not keep his point total confined to the assist column, as Andover's star attackman scored late in the second quarter.

Despite being relatively inactive, Exeter's offense was not kept completely quiet. They generated one more goal in the half to bring Exeter to within two goals of Andover. Andover led 4-2 entering halftime.

The solid defense of the first half started to gradually break down, and the offense could not keep possession long enough to open up the scoring opportunities that were present in the first half. The start of the second half did not bode well for Andover, as Exeter won the opening face-off. Compared to the first half, the Exeter offense looked completely different because it could keep possession for long periods of time.

Over the course of the second half, Exeter scored seven unanswered goals. One thing that Exeter did particularly well was ride. Andover had trouble clearing against the Exeter zone ride, which was set up so that the attack and midfielders dropped back, giving up the first pass. This was perfect against Andover's clear, which usually consisted of Kreider and John McKenna '10 clearing the ball by themselves. The zone ride did not give the two middies any room to move in the open field, denying them the option of gaining speed and going through the defense single-handedly.

Overall, Andover allowed its poor play in the third quarter to get the best of it. Everything was certainly left on the field, but the execution failed to come through on both the offensive and defensive ends of the field.

Sport: Girls Lacrosse

Year: 2009

Captains: Alissa Fromkin, Kaitlin Gaiss

Coach: Kate Dolan

Assistant Coach: Martha Fenton

Season Record

Won 9 Lost 6 Tied 0

Letterwinners

Fromkin, Alissa capt.
Gaiss, Kaitlin capt.
Gezon, Caroline
Glynn, Lauren
Healey, Morgan
Keating, Kyleigh
Kowal, Emily
Law, Margaret
Lawson, Samantha
Little, Emily
McBeth, Greer
McInnis, Kaitlyn
Pechacek, Alina
Rademacher, Emily
Scott, Haley
Sherrill, Katherine
Stone, Avery
VanValkenburg, Brooke
Walsh, Kellie
Washburn, Summer

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Lacrosse Girls Varsity
2009 Roster

No	Name	Yr	Hometown
1	VanValkenburg, Brooke	2012	Garden City, NY
2	Glynn, Lauren	2010	Concord, MA
3	Healey, Morgan	2009	North Andover, MA
4	Little, Emily	2009	Sherborn, MA
5	McInnis, Kaitlyn	2009	Franklin, MA
6	Lawson, Samantha	2010	North Andover, MA
7	Stone, Avery	2010	Providence, RI
8	Walsh, Kellie	2011	Andover, MA
9	Sherrill, Katherine	2010	New York, NY
10	Keating, Kyleigh	2010	Windham, NH
12	Rademacher, Emily	2011	Lynchburg, VA
13	Fromkin, Alissa capt.	2009	North Andover, MA
15	Scott, Haley	2011	Andover, MA
17	Gezon, Caroline	2010	Wilmette, IL
19	Law, Margaret	2010	Garden City, NY
20	Washburn, Summer	2011	Andover, MA
21	Kowal, Emily	2009	Ossining, NY
22	McBeth, Greer	2012	Keene, NH
44	Pechacek, Alina	2009	Andover, MA
66	Gaiss, Kaitlin capt.	2009	North Andover, MA

Coach: Kate Dolan
Assistant Coach: Martha Fenton

Managers: Tyler Jennings '10 & Nick Craven '09

Schedule and Record

Record: 9/6/0

DATE/TIME	OPPONENT	H/A	TYPE	SCORE
4/1 @ 3:15 PM	Middlesex School	A	Scrimmage	
4/4 @ 2:30 PM	Nobles & Greenough School	H	Game	L 11-14
4/8 @ 3:45 PM	Deerfield Academy	H	Game	W 12-10
4/10 @ 4:30 PM	Pingree School	A	Game	W 13-7
4/15 @ 3:30 PM	St. Paul's School	H	Game	W 13-3
4/18 @ 1:30 PM	Groton School	H	Game	W 19-7
4/22 @ 3:30 PM	Northfield Mount Hermon School	A	Game	W 15-4
4/25 @ 3:30 PM	Taft School	H	Game	L 4-8
4/29 @ 3:00 PM	Governor's Academy	A	Game	L 5-8
5/2 @ 4:00 PM	Tabor Academy	A	Game	W 15-11
5/6 @ 3:15 PM	Milton Academy	A	Game	W 11-5
5/9 @ 2:30 PM	Loomis Chaffee School	H	Game	L 7-17
5/13 @ 4:15 PM	Thayer Academy	A	Game	L 11-15
5/15 @ 6:30 PM	Lawrence Academy	H	Game	W 15-4
5/20 @ 2:45 PM	Brooks School	A	Game	W 10-9
5/22 @ 4:45 PM	Phillips Exeter Academy	A	Game	L 12-14

Highlights

Noble and Greenough

4/4/2009

In the opening game of the 2009 season, Andover lost to visiting Nobles by a 14-11 score. Nobles took control of the beginning of the game opening a 5-1 lead by controlling most of the draws. Andover, however, scored three quick goals to close within one. Unfortunately, Nobles scored the last two of the half to take a 7-4 advantage at halftime. The second half was more of the same as Nobles would score then Andover would answer, but despite great effort, the Big Blue could not get closer. While the loss was disappointing, there were a lot of good things in the game, especially considering the limited amount of practice time the team has had thus far. Andover will host Deerfield on Wednesday at 3:45 in Phelps Stadium.

Deerfield

4/8/2009

In the second game of the season, Andover had a strong start, which enabled the team to squeak out a close 12-10 win over visiting Deerfield. In a fast and physical game, Andover jumped out to a 3-0 lead only to see Deerfield draw close at 3-2, but Andover tallied next to bump the lead back to two. The teams exchanged goals until about the last two minutes of the first half when Andover was able to score twice, the second coming with only four seconds remaining. The Big Blue began the second half equally well - scoring in the first twenty seconds to take a 9-5 lead, but Deerfield answered with two of their own. It was a see-saw game with each team having opportunities and each team coming up with big stops defensively. The final score was in Andover's favor which evened the team's record at 1-1 on the young season. Andover will travel to Pingree on Friday for a 4:30 game.

St. Paul's

4/15/2009

On a bright but cool spring afternoon, the Big Blue defeated the visitors from St. Paul's 13-3. Andover had a strong start and took a 7-1 lead at the half. With good transition passing and solid play from both goalies, Andover controlled the play against a determined and spirited St. Paul's team. Andover improves to 3-1 on the season and will host Groton on Saturday for a 1:30 game.

Groton
4/18/2009

In an early Saturday afternoon game, the Big Blue defeated Groton 19-7. Despite Groton's control of the draw balls, Andover opened a 9-1 lead and headed into halftime with an 11-3 advantage. Andover's offense did a good job redefending and caused several turnovers in the second half while Andover's defense worked steadily to limit Groton's offensive opportunities. The Big Blue passed well in transition and all players contributed to the team's solid outing. Andover improves its record to 4-1 and will travel to NMH on Wednesday.

NMH
4/22/2009

Despite a long bus ride and damp weather, Andover had a strong outing at NMH as the team earned a 15-4 win. With offensive contributions from multiple players, the Big Blue took a 8-0 lead at the half. The second half was equally strong as the Big Blue played well in transition and did well on both ends of the field. Andover improves to 5-1 and will host Taft on Saturday afternoon for a 3:30 game.

Taft
4/25/2009

Andover hosted Taft on a summer like afternoon but unfortunately, the Big Blue was not able to counter Taft's speed and lost 8-4. Andover went scoreless for the first 23 minutes of the game and trailed 1-0 heading into the closing minutes of the first half, but quickly the Big Blue closed the half with three goals and held a 3-1 advantage at the break. Despite good effort Andover could not get its offense in synch in the second half and Taft took a 4-4 game to an 8-4 advantage in their favor. Andover drops to 5-2 and will travel to Governor's Academy on Wednesday.

Governor's
4/29/2009

On a picture perfect spring afternoon, Andover traveled to Governor's Academy but unfortunately, the Big Blue was on the short end of an 8-5 score. Governor's scored first but Andover answered to tie it at one, but then Govs went on a run to go up 4-1. At the end of the first half, Govs led 5-3. The second half was relatively low scoring but Governor's kept their lead and took the game by an 8-5 score.

Tabor
5/2/2009

Traveling to Marion, the girls in blue got back in the win column with a 15-11 victory over a determined and aggressive Tabor squad. Andover held a 7-3 advantage at the half and took the lead to 14-6 before Tabor mounted a strong ending to the game and pulled to within four. Andover improves to 6-3 on the season and will travel to play at Milton on Wednesday.

Milton
5/6/2009

On the road at Milton, Andover earned an 11-5 win over an aggressive and fast Mustang team. After a slow start and falling behind 3-1, Andover came back to go ahead 5-3. The team exchanged goals but the Big Blue put one in with just ten seconds left in the half to take a 6-4 lead at the break. In the second half, Andover took control and held Milton to a single goal while scoring five.

Loomis
5/9/2009

In the last Saturday afternoon game of the season, the Big Blue put forth a good effort but L-C proved too much today. In an outstanding first half, Andover took the lead 4-2 only to see Loomis tie it up. The teams then exchanged goals but Loomis scored two quick ones to take a 7-5 lead with under two minutes to play in the half. Andover answered with a goal with just a minute to play and the Big Blue trailed by one at the half. Andover tied the game at 7-7 with a goal in the first thirty-two seconds of the second half.

Andover Gears Up For Season With Encouraging Scrimmage Win

By Tyler Jennings
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	11
Middlesex	10

With only six seconds left in regulation, Lauren Glynn '10 passed the ball to Co-Captain Alissa Fromkin '09 at the top of the eight-meter. After avoiding two Middlesex defenders, Fromkin took a shot that bounced into the net and just beat the buzzer to secure the Girls Varsity Lacrosse team's first win of the season.

Although Andover pulled out a victory, the beginning of the game was filled with mistakes stemming from a limited amount of practice time prior to the scrimmage.

Both teams came out playing strong, but Middlesex took an early 3-0 lead.

In the first half the Andover defense looked rushed as they were tested against a skilled Middlesex offense that moved the ball quickly and effectively.

Andover also struggled with its transition game, dropping the ball and creating turnovers in the midfield.

After a short halftime, the girls came out looking like a more confident team. Sparked by a goal from Kyleigh Keating '10, Andover settled down on both offense and defense as the team began to communicate and draw upon drills from their practices.

With only 10 minutes left, Andover took its first lead of the game and eventually held on to win with a final score of 11-10.

Co-Captain Kaitlin Gaiss '09 played well in goal and finished the game with 16 saves.

On offense, Emily Little '09, Samantha Lawson '10, Summer Washburn '11 and Greer Mcbeth '12 all contributed goals.

Gaiss said, "I'm really glad that we had the chance to scrimmage before the real season begins. This helped us really get comfortable with everyone as a team. I'm really looking forward to having a great season."

After ending last year's successful season with a victory against rival Phillips Exeter, the team has high expectations. Co-Captains Fromkin and Gaiss hope to lead the team to an even more successful season this year.

Even though Andover graduated nine seniors last year, the team has a solid group of returners joined by several new skilled team members.

Some keys to success this year will be strong goaltending from veteran goalie Gaiss and solid play at both ends of the field.

Key returning players include Little, Kaitlyn McInnis '09, Kitten Sherrill '10 and Avery Stone '10.

Morgan Healey '09, Glynn and Keating are all new members that are expected to contribute to the team's success this season.

This year the girls have several important games against Taft, Loomis and Deerfield.

On Saturday, Andover will play its first game of the regular season against Nobles.

Last year, the match against Nobles was uneven as an incredibly skilled Nobles team dominated Andover both offensively and defensively, ultimately claiming a 20-7 victory.

But with Nobles graduating several key players at the end of last season, this year's game is expected to be a more even match-up.

Y. WATANABE/ *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Co-Captain Alissa Fromkin '09 shields the ball against a Deerfield defender.

GIRLS LACROSSE

Co-Captain Kaitlin Gaiss '09 Makes 13 Saves in Deerfield Win

By Tyler Jennings
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Nobles	14
Andover	11

Andover	12
Deerfield	10

After receiving a pass in the left corner of the arc, Samantha Lawson '10 drove to the net and buried the first goal of Andover's game against Deerfield. Andover led throughout the entire game and claimed a 12-10 victory.

After a 13-7 loss against Deerfield last year, the team came out determined to finish the game victorious.

In the first few minutes a sluggish Deerfield team allowed Andover to grab a 3-0 lead. But just as soon as Andover seemed to take a commanding lead, Deerfield gained its momentum and reduced the Andover lead to 3-2.

With just five seconds left in the first half, Kyleigh Keating '10 rolled the crease and buried a shot, increasing Andover's lead to 8-5.

After halftime both teams took the field determined to win. Just 40 seconds into the second half, Emily Little '09 scored her second goal of the game. Andover managed to hold onto the lead and win with a final score of 12-10.

Co-Captain Kaitlin Gaiss '09 had a notable performance in net, making 13 total saves on the day.

On Saturday, the team came out ready for revenge against a very talented Nobles and Greenough team. Last time the two teams faced off Nobles dominated the game, 20-7.

Just five minutes into the first half, Nobles took what seemed like a commanding 3-0 lead. As soon as the pace of the game settled down, however, Little raced down the field and fired a quick shot to put Andover on the board for the first time.

But Andover's offensive movement couldn't disuade Nobles, who scored two more goals and eventually took a 5-1 lead. As both teams picked up the pace for the final minutes of the first half, Andover went on a scoring streak that ended with three consecutive goals.

After a back and forth first half Andover managed to cut the Nobles lead to just one, aided by goals from Co-Captain Alissa Fromkin '09, Summer Washburn '11 and Keating.

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Effort Falls Short

Team Needs to Focus on "Poise and Confidence" Says McInnis

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With the score now 10-9, Nobles stormed the field and scored three straight goals to take a four-goal lead. Despite a strong effort in the last few minutes of the game, Andover fell short with a final score of 11-14.

Kaitlyn Mcinnis '09 said, "We played with a lot of heart, but what we need to focus more on now is poise and confidence."

On Friday, Andover will go on the road for the first time this season to face Pingree.

Gaiss said, "We have played really well these first two games, and we just need to keep it up on the road.

She continued, "They key for us is playing our game. Last year we beat Pingree but that doesn't mean we can take them lightly this time around."

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Morgan Healey '09 rushes down the field as she speeds past her defender in Andover's 13-3 victory over St. Paul's.

Two Key Wins Improve Record to 4-1; Keating '10 Leads Offense With Five Goals

By Tyler Jennings
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	12
Pingree	7
Andover	13
St. Paul's	3

Three minutes into the first half, Kyleigh Keating '10 received a pass just outside the 8-meter and fired a high shot to put Andover on the board against Pingree. Despite her goal Andover trailed 1-3 early in the game, but made its first comeback of the season and defeated Pingree 12-7.

The girls had a sluggish start against their opponent, allowing Pingree to gain an early 3-0 lead. After Keating's goal the Pingree offense gained momentum, scoring two more goals, and increasing its lead to four.

After quickly falling behind, Andover managed to catch up with two goals of its own. At the end of a back and forth first half, the game was tied at 6-6.

Andover came into the second half re-energized and ready to pick up the pace. The girls started off with two goals in less than two minutes, giving them the first lead of the game.

Taking advantage of their momentum, Andover came from behind to win by a final score of 12-7.

The most notable performance came from Keating, who scored five goals and made four assists for a total of nine points. Emily Little '09 and Brooke Van Valkenburg '12 also had three goals each.

On Wednesday afternoon, the Girls Lacrosse team hosted St. Paul's. From the start of the game it was clear that Andover's depth and skill would be the key to success.

Andover came out strong, scoring its first goal in just under a minute. Greer Macbeth '12 received a pass at midfield and carried the ball all the way to net, placing her shot to put Andover on the board first.

Two minutes later, Little scored, putting Andover up 2-0 just three minutes into the game. Going into halftime, Andover led 7-1.

In the second half, Alina Pechacek '09 saw her first shots of the season as she replaced Co-Captain Kaitlin Gaiss '09 in net. Pechacek had an impressive game, making several key saves to keep St. Paul's from scoring.

The girls carried their strength over from the first half, extending their lead to 10 goals. Andover went on to defeat St. Paul's with a final score of 13-3.

Emily Rademacher '11 had a breakout game, scoring her first three goals of the season and adding an assist to finish with a total of four points. Other offensive contributors included Keating and Little, who each ended the game with three points.

Gaiss said, "These past few games have really been good for us. We have been able to play well and as a result we have been able to beat some very good teams. I'm really happy with the way this year has started."

With the victory against Pingree, Andover extended its winning streak to three and brought its record to 4-1.

Stifling Offensive Power Buries Opponents as Andover Scores 34 Goals in Two Wins

By Tyler Jennings
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	19
Groton	7

Andover	15
NMH	4

Just a minute into Saturday's game against Groton, Kyleigh Keating '10 received the ball behind the net and fed a pass to Emily Rademacher '11, who buried the first goal of the game. Andover defeated Groton with a final score of 19-7.

Rademacher's goal gave Andover an early lead, and it seemed as if the Girls Lacrosse team was going to dominate. Only 30 seconds later, though, Groton managed to score on a free position shot.

With the score tied at 1-1, Andover took control of the game in both the offensive and defensive zones. By the end of the first half, the team had a commanding lead of 11-3.

Starting the second half with a huge lead, the girls were relentless as Alissa Fromkin '09 scored just 30 seconds into the half. After obtaining a 10 goal lead just a few minutes into the second half, the clock began to run making for a shorter than usual game.

By the end of the game, Groton was unable to match Andover's high-powered offense and tight defense. Andover won with aA final score of 19-7, marking the team's highest offensive performance thus far.

Keating had a notable performance, ending the game with six goals and two assists for eight points and extending her scoring streak to five games. Fromkin also added four goals of her own.

On Wednesday the girls headed to Northfield Mount Hermon. After a long bus ride, Andover established themselves as the dominant team from the start.

Just 40 seconds into the game, Fromkin scored from just inside the eight-meter to put Andover up 1-0.

Brooke Van Valkenburg '12 grabbed a ground ball off the next draw and carried the ball down the field to score, increasing Andover's lead to 2-0. As the game became one sided, Andover's defense was hardly tested. Goalie Kaitlin Gaiss '09 ended the first half with a shutout and Andover led 8-0.

Andover used the second half of the game to practice its settled offense and its transition defense. At the end of the game Andover claimed the victory, 15-4.

Morgan Healey '09 said, "This game was good because we got ahead early and had the chance to experiment in the offensive zone."

Healey and Van Valkenburg both had highlight performances against NMH, scoring four goals each.

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Emily Little '09 turns the corner on a NMH defender in Andover's 15-4 win.

Andover Drops Two Close Games; Van Valkenburg '12 Nets Two Goals

By Tyler Jennings
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Taft	8
Andover	4

Governor's	8
Andover	5

With just two minutes left in the first half of Saturday's game vs. Taft, Co-Captain Alissa Fromkin '09 received a pass in front of the net where she spun off of a defender and put Andover on the board for the first time.

After this goal, Andover was energized and Brooke Van Valkenburg '12 scored her first goal of the game to put Andover up 2-1 with just under a minute left in the half. Off of the next faceoff, Andover moved the ball into the offensive zone where Van Valkenburg was able to score yet another goal off of an assist from Emily Rademacher '11.

Taft matched Andover's first goal, however, within the first minute of the game. Taft stormed into the Andover defensive zone and scored with ease. Co-Captain Kaitlin Gaiss '09 faced shots from every angle as Taft dominated for the first 10 minutes of the game, but could rarely capitalize. At the end of the first half, Andover was up by a score of 3-1 and Gaiss already had 11 saves.

After a quick rest, Taft seemed to take its play up a notch as it came out and dominated in the offensive zone to score two goals in just 5 minutes in to tie the game at 3-3. After a quick timeout, Taft was able to score yet another goal to give it the lead for the second time in the game.

Despite trailing by one goal, Lauren Glynn '10 dodged two Taft defenders and scored to put Andover back in the game.

Glynn's goal would not be enough, however, as Taft begsn to figure out the Andover defense. Andover was not able to mount a second come back and eventually lost with a final score of 8-4.

On Wednesday, the girls travelled to Governor's Academy with hopes of making up for the loss to Taft earlier in the week, but lost the matchup 8-5.

One minute into the game, Governor's took an outside shot that beat the Andover defense. In response, Fromkin

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A. LEVINE/ *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Samantha Lawson '10 runs for a groundball against Taft.

Governor's Offense Too Strong

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·olled from the corner and cut across the crease to score and tie the game.

Despite controlling possession, Andover was unable to score. At the end of the first half, Governor's led by a score of 5-2.

Just 30 seconds into the second half Fromkin scored her second goal of the game. Governor's responded with two quick goals, however, putting the game out of reach.

The most notable performance of the afternoon was by Katherine Sherrill '10, who played excellent defense and ended the game with three interceptions and four ground ball pickups. "Today was frustrating because we controlled a lot of the game but just couldn't capitalize on any of our chances," said Sherrill.

B. BRODIE/ *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Emily Little '09 dives for the ball in Andover's 17-7 loss against Loomis Chaffee.

GIRLS LACROSSE

Loaded Offense From Loomis Chaffee Proves Too Much in Loss

By Tyler Jennings
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Thayer	15
Andover	11
Loomis	17
Andover	7

Holding off an extremely potent Loomis Chaffee offense last Saturday, Co-Captain Kaitlin Gaiss '09 made several impressive saves throughout the game, and her strong play in the net in the opening five minutes dictated the pace of the game in the first half. Even with the effort of Gaiss., the Loomis offense was too much as they went on to crush Andover in a 17-7 loss.

Despite the fantastic play from Gaiss and the supporting defense, Andover had trouble moving the ball with confidence on the offensive end, offering scarce opportunities to score and allowing the Loomis offense to possess for absurd amounts of time.

The game started off with Loomis gaining immediate possession and scoring two goals in succession. It was these first few minutes that characterized the game for Andover, which was forced to play a very defensive game.

Midway through the first half, Summer Washburn '11 passed the ball through the middle to Brooke Van Valkenburg '12 who streaked towards the net. After a Loomis defender interfered with Van Valkenburgs' stick, she took a free position shot from the 8-meter mark putting Andover on the board for the first time and jump-starting the Andover offense.

Riding on the momentum from the first goal, Co-Captain Alissa Fromkin '09 took the ball from the corner of the field and scored off of a dodge past her defender just a minute later. Off the next faceoff, Van Valkenburg was able to scoop the ball from a scrum in the midfield and carry it into the offensive zone to score her second goal of the game.

Playing as if no one could stop her, Van Valkenburg received another pass in front of the net from Emily Rademacher '11 and scored her third goal of the first half. The offensive surge from Andover put Andover up with a score of 5-2.

At the end of the first half when the whistle was blown, Andover was right behind a powerful Loomis squad by a score of 6-7.

The second half of the game allowed Loomis to showcase their skills and take control of the game. They were able to completely dominate in both the offensive and defensive ends, holding Andover to only one goal in the second half, which was scored by Katilyn Mcinnnis '09. After facing one of the better halves of offense Andover has seen all season, the final score was 17-7, with Loomis gaining the win over Andover.

On Wednesday, the girls headed away to play another very strong team, Thayer Academy. Unlike in the game against Loomis, Andover came out slow and undisciplined in both ends of the field. Thayer took advantage of the opportunity and jumped out to a quick 1-0 lead. The offensive trend persisted for Thayer, so that midway through the first half, Thayer already had a commanding 8-0 lead.

After Fromkin took it upon herself to break the ice for Andover by scoring her first goal of the game, the half ended with Thayer on top, owning a commanding a 12-2 lead over Andover.

The second half of the game was radically different for Andover as they were able to score nine goals, while holding Thayer to a mere three goals. Despite a great second half effort, Andover eventually lost by a score of 15-11.

Andover Improves to 9-5 with Wins Over Lawrence and Brooks

By Tyler Jennings
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	10
Brooks	9

Andover	15
Lawrence	4

After completely dominating Lawrence Academy in the offensive zone during the first five minutes of Friday night's game, Emily Little '09 sniped a free possession shot for Andover in the first goal of the game.

Andover went on to dominate the rest of the game and won by a final score of 15-4.

Just a minute after her first goal, Little caught the ball in the midfield and showed her blazing speed as she carried the ball into the offensive zone and scored her second goal of the day.

Little and Brooke Van Valkenburg '12 both scored again to increase Andover's lead. At the end of the first half, Andover was clearly in control of the game, as it held a commanding lead of 8-2.

The second half provided a chance for Andover to work on some difficult plays and experiment with some new combinations on the field.

After winning the first draw of the half, Emily Kowal '09 scored off of a perfect feed from Morgan Healey '09.

This was followed by another free position goal from Maggie Law '10. Kowal, who has suffered from an injury-plagued season, netted two goals in her first game of the year with the most notable performance of the game. Little also had a highlight performance with five goals.

On Wednesday the girls faced off against cross-town rival Brooks, who had beaten Andover five years in a row coming into the game, but Andover came back to steal a 10-9 victory.

After a bit of a sluggish warm-up, Andover started the game slowly and allowed Brooks to score the first goal.

Co-Captain Alissa Fromkin '09 responded only a minute later, however, as she ripped a shot past Brooks goalie from outside the eight meter arc.

After a back and fourth first half, Andover trailed by a score of 6-4.

As the second half started, Brooks scored two goals in the first two minutes. But the team did not let this discourage them, and Van Valkenburg scored two well-placed goals to respond to Brooks' lead.

These goals were followed by another one from Little to cut down Brooks' lead to 9-8.

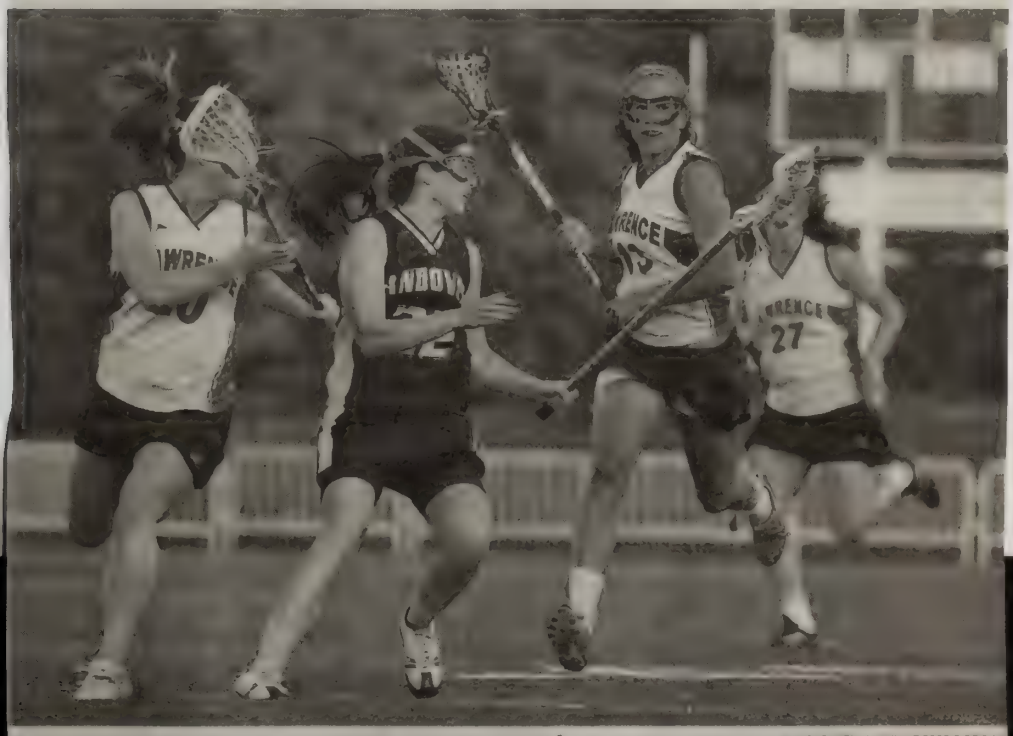
With only four minutes left, Emily Rademacher '11 scooped up a ball in front of the net and fired off a shot to tie the game at nine.

Summer Washburn '11 scored the final goal of the game, securing the Andover victory. In the second half, Andover dominated in the defensive zone allowing Brooks little opportunity to score.

In the last four minutes of the game Andover showed off its possessing skills in the offensive end, as the team held on to the ball under strong Brooks pressure.

Katherine Sherrill '10 said, "This game was amazing, and we showed a ton of perseverance and a desire to win. I can't think of a better way to head into our final game of the season."

On Friday Andover will end its season with a final game against rival Exeter.



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Greer McBeth '12 looks for help in a clear in Andover's Friday night win over Lawrence.

Despite Return of Keating '10, Andover Suffers Close Loss to Exeter

By Tyler Jennings
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Exeter	**14**
Andover	**12**

Just a few minutes into Friday night's game against Exeter, Emily Little '09 received a pass in front of the net and dodged her Exeter defender to score, putting Andover on the board first. This was Andover's second year in a row playing away at Exeter, and this year's game began just like last year's with Andover taking the lead first.

But despite a great effort, the Girls Lacrosse team lost in its final game of the season by a score of 14-12.

After Andover dominated the first few minutes of the game, Exeter roared back with an impressive play. Just a minute after Andover scored, Exeter set up a play in the offensive zone and beat Andover goalie Co-Captain Kaitlin Gaiss '09.

With this momentum, Exeter kept the ball in the Andover defensive zone and added two more goals to put them up 3-1.

Coming back for her first game since a mid-season injury, Kyleigh Keating '10 proved to be a force on the field as she added two goals of her own in the first half.

For the remainder of the half, both teams battled in a fast paced game that carried the players up and down the field.

At the end of the first half, Exeter held a 9-7 lead.

Going into the last half of their seasons, both teams came out with intensity. Exeter got on the board quick, extending its lead to three goals.

Co-Captain Alissa Fromkin '09 helped lead the Andover comeback as she received the ball in the corner of the field and spun around, barely getting off a shot to beat the Exeter goalie.

The scoring did not stop there, as Andover quickly responded with another goal from Emily Kowal '09.

With just over eleven minutes left to play in the game, the score was knotted at 12.

From that point on, the game turned into a defensive battle as Gaiss came up with amazing saves at crucial times.

The rest of the defense was forced to use its quick feet and body positioning to shut down the fast Exeter offense.

After 12 goals, Andover remained scoreless while Exeter buried two more goals before the end of the game.

Kaitlyn McInnis '09 said, "Even though we didn't get the result that we wanted in the end, I had a great time in my last lacrosse game at Andover."

She continued, "This year has been so much fun, and I have really enjoyed spending time with all of the girls on the team."

Sport: Softball

Year: 2009

Captain: Sarah Boylan

Coach: Peter Drench

Assistant Coach: Doug Kuhlmann

Season Record

Won 15 Lost 3 Tied 0

Reached NE Quarterfinals

Letterwinners

Boylan, Sarah Capt.
Garbarino, Alayna
Gardner,Riley
Gattuso, Caroline
Higgins,Jackie
Hunt, Sage
Kaufman, Caroline
McCarthy, Brianna
McSweeney, Shannon
Norris, Torie
Onorato, Sarah
Prathuri, Ramya
Schoenberger,Sonya
Shaffer, Lily
Skwierczynski,Mackenzie

PHILLIPS ACADEMY
Softball Varsity
2009 Roster

NO.	NAME	YEAR	POSITION	HOMETOWN
1	Ramya Prathuri	2010	OF	Piscataway, NJ
2	Alayna Garbarino	2010	INF	Reading, MA
3	Sarah Boylan Capt.	2009	INF	Danvers, MA
4	Sage Hunt	2012	OF	Cape Elizabeth, ME
6	Lily Shaffer	2010	C/OF	Reading, MA
7	Torie Norris	2009	OF	Andover, MA
9	Brianna McCarthy	2009	INF	Methuen, MA
11	Shannon McSweeney	2011	OF/C	Boxborough, MA
15	Riley Gardner	2010	INF	Chelmsford, MA
16	Caroline Kaufman	2010	INF	Andover, MA
17	Caroline Gattuso	2009	P/OF	North Reading, MA
22	Sarah Onorato	2011	C/OF	North Reading, MA
23	Mackenzie Skwierczynski	2012	P/OF	Andover, MA
24	Jackie Higgins	2012	P	Littleton, MA
32	Sonya Schoenberger	2011	OF	Albany, CA

Coaches: Peter Drench, Doug Kuhlmann

Schedule and Record

Record: 15/3/0

DATE/TIME	OPPONENT	H/A	TYPE	SCORE
4/1 @ 3:15 PM	Governor's Academy	H	Game	W 5-1
4/10 @ 4:00 PM	Nobles High School	H	Game	W 7-2
4/17 @ 4:45 PM	Middlesex School		Game	W 12-2
4/18 @ 1:30 PM	Choate Rosemary School	H	Game	L 4-13
4/24 @ 4:15 PM	New Hampton School	H	Game	W 16-1 (5 innings)
4/25 @ 2:00 PM	Cushing	H	Game	W 8-3
4/25 @ 3:00 PM	Tabor	H	Game	W 9-6
4/29 @ 2:45 PM	Phillips Exeter Academy	H	Game	W 5-1
5/2 @ 3:00 PM	Worcester Academy	A	Game	W 9-5
5/2 @ 3:30 PM	Worcester Academy		Game	W 7-2
5/6 @ 3:15 PM	B.B.& N.	H	Game	W 9-0
5/8 @ 4:30 PM	Lawrence Academy	H	Game	W 2-1
5/9 @ 1:45 PM	Deerfield Academy	A	Game	W 10-9
5/16 @ 9:00 AM	Worcester Academy	H	Tournament	W 2-1
5/16 @ 2:00 PM	Tabor	A	Tournament	L 1-8
5/16 @ 5:00 PM	Lawrence Academy	H	Tournament	L 2-3
5/20 @ 2:45 PM	Brooks School		Game	
5/23 @ 1:00 PM	Phillips Exeter Academy		Game	W 12-5
5/25 @ 10:00 AM	Phillips Exeter Academy	A	Game	W 12-9

Highlights

Governor's

4/1/2009

Neither team had barely any time outdoors to prepare for the season, but Andover bested Governor's Academy on a chilly but playable afternoon, 5-1. PA tallied its first runs of 2009 in the bottom of the third inning to grab a 3-0 lead over the visiting Govs. RF Ramya Praturi singled to deep shortstop and advanced to second on a wild pitch. One out later, 2B Alayna Garbarino's single drove her home. C Sarah Onorato doubled in Garbarino, and later scored an unearned run. The Govs drew blood in the top of the fifth to close the gap to two runs, but the Blue answered with two more scores in the home fifth, with Onorato, SS Sarah Boylan, P Caroline Gattuso and 3B Riley Gardner providing the offense. Gattuso (1-0) went the distance, yielding four hits, striking out six and walking two.

Noble HS

4/10/2009

Noble HS made its annual "southern trip" to Andover to play their preseason contest. The hosts prevailed, 7-2, carried on offense by CF Shannon McSweeney (2-for-4), C Sarah Onorato (3-for-4) and 1B Riley Gardner (2-for-4). 2B Alayna Garbarino, P Caroline Gattuso and RF Ramya Prathuri also notched base hits in the game. Gattuso (2-0) pitched six innings, before reliever Jaclyn Higgins made her varsity debut in a scoreless seventh.

Middlesex

4/17/2009

The team rushed from its seventh-period classes to catch the bus that would take them through the Friday afternoon traffic jams to bucolic Middlesex, where the Blue pulled away early and cruised to a 12-3 win over their scrappy hosts. Ten runs in the top of the second inning determined the result, although the final score of 12-3 reflects Middlesex's grit. P Caroline Gattuso (3-0) took the win, while Mackenzie Skwierczynski pitched her first three innings in a varsity game. The offensive highlight was a grand slam home run by C Sarah Onorato. 1B Riley Gardner registered two hits, and four others had one apiece. PA's cause was aided by a dozen walks. LF Torie Norris and 3B Alayna Garbarino turned in the best fielding plays of the day, a couple of running catches and a quick move to cut off a groundball in the hole, respectively. Every player on the roster saw significant action.

Choate
4/18/2009

Hosting hard-hitting Choate right after a road game the evening before proved too much for the Blue, as they went down to a decisive 13-4 defeat at the hands of the Wild Boars. Despite their long bus ride, the visitors enjoyed an almost mistake-free day, while their hosts had "one of those days." Andover pitchers yielded an unusual number of hits (20), not helped by four PA errors and several mental miscues. Some of the hits were bloopers that fell just out of reach, but a majority of them were hit hard. The first inning set the tone, as Choate's leadoff batter grounded out after running the count full, but the next hitter earned a walk, having fouled off a tough 3-2 pitch. A grounder that should have led to a force-out at second became a fielder's choice on which both runners were safe, and the Wild Boars' cleanup hitter showed why she is batting fourth by slamming a shot down the left-field line, good for two runs. Andover would answer in the bottom half of the frame, but still betrayed signs that it would be in for trouble. A leadoff double by P Caroline Gattuso, who had a fine day offensively, was followed by two harmless groundballs to shortstop, preventing any advance. A double by SS Sarah Boylan finally sent Gattuso home, but a pop-up ended hopes of quickly tying the game. Choate pushed across five runs in the top of the second, while PA squandered another leadoff double, getting two runs to draw within four, but stranding runners at second and third. In the third, PA scored once more, but again left a base runner in scoring position. Choate added two in their fourth to pull farther ahead, and effectively ended the game with three more in the top of the fifth. Andover's last nine batters were retired in a row without a ball being hit out of the infield. All credit to Choate, which boarded their bus still unbeaten (5-0), while PA (3-1) suffered its first loss of the season, a painful learning experience for what is basically a young varsity team.

Cushing
4/25/2009

PA ended Cushing's unbeaten run at five games by topping the Penguins, 8-3, in the first game of the annual Andover-and-Exeter vs. Cushing-and-Tabor twin bill. (Andover swept two and Exeter dropped a pair.) The Blue chipped away by scoring runs in each of the first five innings, manufacturing their first tally without the aid of a hit. P Caroline Gattuso '09 walked and 2B Alayna Garbarino '10 reached on an infield error. Garbarino was forced out on a fielder's choice, leaving runners at first and third. SS Sarah Boylan '09 pushed across the run on a deep sacrifice fly. Other runs were scored in similar fashion, using the short game and trying to make every at-bat count. C Sarah Onorato '11 doubled in a run and 1B Riley Gardner '10 tripled in another, but PA's attack consisted largely of singles, bunts and aggressive base-running. Cushing nicked P Caroline Gattuso '09 (5-1) for nine hits, bunching three around an error for two runs in the fourth, and another two hits and a Blue miscue in the sixth for a third run, but Gattuso did not walk a batter and struck out three when it counted. Gattuso, Garbarino, Onorato, Boylan and Gardner had hits, as well as 3B Shannon McSweeney '11 (two), DP Caroline Kaufman '10 (two) and LF Brianna McCarthy (two). Seven different Andover players drove in runs.

Tabor
4/25/2009

Andover fell behind early to Tabor, 3-0, betrayed by a couple of errors that opened the door to a long hit that drove in two runs. Entering the bottom of the fourth inning, the Blue trailed, 5-1. DP Caroline Kaufman '10 began the home half with an infield single and OF Brianna McCarthy '09 was hit by a pitch for the second time in the game. CF Sage Hunt '12 grounded to short, and Kaufman was forced out at third base, but Caroline Gattuso '09, who had started the game in left field but who came in to pitch the final three innings in relief of Jaclyn Higgins '12, singled to load the bases. After a pop-up, C Sarah Onorato '11 delivered a three-run triple that just missed clearing the right-center field fence, and SS Sarah Boylan '09 singled to tie the game, 5-5. She stole second, but was stranded by an inning-ending pop-up. Both teams put runners on in the fifth inning but couldn't score. In the top of the sixth, with a runner on first and two out, a fly ball to shallow right field was fumbled by an Andover infielder who had been in hot pursuit, and the go-ahead run came in to make it 6-5, Tabor. But P Erin White, who had gamely carried the Seawolves over Exeter in their first game and who had survived Andover threats until this point, simply ran out of gas. Two walks, a single and a double and another single later, and PA took a 9-6 lead. Tabor was retired 1-2-3 in the top of the seventh to seal the win. Gattuso (6-1) got the win, giving up one run on just one hit while walking one. Starter Higgins went four innings, giving up five runs – none earned – striking out one, walking three and surrendering two hits, not a bad outing for a freshman. Onorato, Boylan and 3B Shannon McSweeney were the hitting stars, garnering among them seven of PA's ten hits, while the two Sarahs combined for six RBI. Andover ran its record to 6-1.

Exeter
4/29/2009

P Jaclyn Higgins '12 notched her first varsity win, a complete-game effort, in leading the Blue to a comfortable 5-1 victory over arch-rival Exeter. Higgins (1-0) scattered five hits, struck out six and walked only one. Exeter threatened in the second inning but left two on base, before scoring an unearned run in the top of the sixth inning, keyed by a leadoff double followed by the only two Andover errors of the game. Meanwhile, PA would pick up a single run in the home third and add four in the fourth inning to take pull away. RF Brianna McCarthy '09 started PA's initial rally with a sharp single to left field, but was erased on a force-out, as CF Sage Hunt '12 reached first. Another force-play replaced Hunt with LF Caroline Gattuso '09, who stole second base, where she was when a double by 2B Alayna Garbarino '10 drove her home.

C Sarah Onorato '11 began the fourth with a single and was sent to third base on a double by SS Sarah Boylan '09. An infield error sent Onorato across the plate and put 1B Riley Gardner on, with Boylan moving to third. 3B Shannon McSweeney sent home Boylan and Gardner, and later stole second base. A sacrifice fly by McCarthy drove in McSweeney with Andover's fifth and final run. Defensive gems were turned in by Gattuso, who made a fine catch of a sinking liner; Onorato, who caught a foul pop right up the third-base line

right against the fence; and Boylan and McSweeney, who have solidified the left side of the infield, combining for nine assists in this game. Andover's record has now risen to 7-1

Worcester

5/2/2009

Worcester Academy's New Balance Field served as a beautiful stage for a sweep by the visiting Blue, who defeated the hosts, 7-2 and 9-5, in a late-afternoon twin bill. Over the years, PA and WA have played highly competitive games and, despite the comfortable-looking scores, the Hilltoppers did not concede easily on this day. In Game 1, Andover struck immediately, as both P Caroline Gattuso and 2B Alayna Garbarino singled. C Sarah Onorato's fielder's choice erased Gattuso at third, but SS Sarah Boylan's hard one-hopper couldn't be handled cleanly, and the ensuing wild throw sent two runs across. PA added single runs in the second and third innings, with Gattuso picking up an RBI for one run, and a wild pitch producing the other. Two more runs in the sixth sealed the win. 3B Brianna McCarthy singled to right and RF Ramya Prathuri walked; Gattuso's fielder's choice retired the lead runner, but a wild pitch moved Prathuri and Gattuso into scoring position. Garbarino's sacrifice fly drove in Prathuri, and Onorato's triple sent home Gattuso. Boylan's RBI single capped the scoring. Gattuso pitched a seven-hit, seven-strikeout complete game – for her seventh victory of the season. 3B Shannon McSweeney continued her stellar defensive play, until she was removed from the game following a collision on the basepaths. DP Caroline Kaufman reached base twice.

Worcester

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In the second game, P Jackie Higgins (2-0) won her second game in a row, allowing the Hilltoppers five runs (three earned) on five hits, while striking out three and walking two. C Sarah Onorato (3 RBI) and SS Sarah Boylan led a hit parade, collecting three hits each, while 1B Riley Gardner (two hits, four RBI), 3B Shannon McSweeney and RF Caroline Gattuso (two hits apiece) also contributed notably. Five other players had one hit each. PH Torie Norris's perfect sacrifice bunt keyed one rally and CF Sonya Schoenberger's fine catch helped to defuse one of several WA comebacks. In fact, PA would need the five runs it tallied in the sixth and seventh innings, as Worcester gamely fought back with three runs in the bottom of the seventh inning, loading the bases before a final groundball to second base. Andover's record now stands at 9-1.

Lawrence
5/8/2009

Andover's Caroline Gattuso (9-1) and Lawrence Academy's Kellie Scholefield hooked up in an exciting pitcher's duel on an unexpectedly sunny late afternoon, with the host Blue prevailing, 2-1. Each pitcher allowed just one baserunner during the first two innings, but LA broke through in the top of the third, thanks to PA's only defensive lapses of the day. Two infield errors sandwiched around a passed ball set up an RBI single, and the Spartans led, 1-0.

Deerfield
5/9/2009

Deerfield is struggling through a losing season, their Spring Parents' Weekend canceled due to H1N1 concerns and it was an uncomfortably muggy day, but the Green played inspired softball and nearly pulled off the upset, falling to visiting Andover, 10-9. SS Jackie Barajas was a one-woman wrecking crew, tagging PA P Jackie Higgins (3-0) for three hits and four RBI but, aside from surrendering a first-inning three-run homer to Barajas, Higgins would've had a much easier day with better defensive support. Carrying a 10-4 lead into the bottom of the sixth, a throwing error with two outs and nobody on base opened the door to a five-run rally helped along by two more Blue miscues. Oddly, Higgins ended this eruption by striking out her third batter of the inning, giving her eleven punch-outs in six innings of pitching. She also allowed a dozen hits, but walked only two. DP Caroline Gattuso came on to pitch the seventh, striking out the side the traditional way, 1-2-3.

Offensively, Andover moved in fits and starts, scoring once in the first and fifth innings, twice in the sixth, but coming up empty in the third, fourth and seventh frames. Gattuso (three hits, one RBI), 3B Shannon McSweeney (two hits, one RBI), SS Sarah Boylan (two hits, one RBI) and 1B Riley Gardner (one hit, one RBI) contributed significantly, but the big blow was struck by C Sarah Onorato, whose three-run home run punctuated a six-run second inning that seemingly put the game out of reach. Deerfield had other ideas, however, and made the game close with their five-run sixth. All fifteen Andover players saw action, with Torie Norris making her first start of the season, sharing left field with Lily Shaffer. Andover is now 12-1.

Big East Prep School Tournament
5/16/2009

The high hopes that the Blue had entering this year's BET were dashed in a frustrating extra-inning elimination game loss to defending champion Lawrence Academy, but the four teams that survived a first day of intense softball competition had to face an even greater loss when Sunday rain washed out the tournament climax. That the skies cleared belatedly, leaving a perfect late afternoon in their wake, only added to the participants' disappointment. Brooks, Lawrence, Milton and Tabor had earned Final Four spots

at the expense of Andover, BB&N, Exeter and Worcester but, for the fifth time in nine years, the BET schedule failed to reach a conclusion.

Just as it had a year ago, the Lawrence Academy Spartans began the tourney on the losing end – this time, a 4-1 loss to Brooks – and then started on a run of improbable wins. In the second round, then took an exciting, ten-inning, 5-4 victory vs. Exeter, and went on to win a second consecutive extra-inning thriller at Andover's expense, 3-2, in eight innings. Tabor defeated BB&N, 6-0, Milton dropped Exeter, 2-0, and Andover squeaked past Worcester, 2-1, in other first-round action. In the losers' bracket, Worcester outmuscled BB&N, 12-7, in addition to LA's win eliminating Exeter. In second-round winners' games, Brooks beat Milton, 4-2, and Andover fell before Tabor, 8-1. Milton sent Worcester home, 12-5, in a second-round losers' bracket tilt, while Andover came up a run short against LA, ending its tourney run.

Andover faced stiff competition from a Worcester team it had swept in a doubleheader two weeks earlier. Although the Hilltoppers could only muster three hits off P Caroline Gattuso, two were doubles, and PA was experiencing offensive troubles of its own – a trend that would continue all day and lead directly to the Blue's demise. PA managed a run without a hit in the bottom of the fourth inning when SS Sarah Boylan reached on a one-out error, advanced to second on a passed ball and scampered home on a second infield miscue. But WA coaxed a leadoff walk in the top of the sixth, and a PA error put two runners on base. Andover threw out the lead runner on an attempted sacrifice bunt, but a two-out double by Lindsay John tied the game. The Blue went in order in the home sixth and Gattuso retired WA in the same fashion in the top of the seventh. 2B Alayna Garbarino led off the bottom half with a single to left field, and RF Caroline Kaufman's bunt was so good that she reached base, putting two runners on base with none out. A passed ball moved them into scoring position. LF Briana McCarthy tried a safety squeeze bunt but while it failed to bring home the run, allowed her to make it to first, loading the bases. With the Worcester infield playing in for a play at the plate, CF Ramya Prathuri drove a line single just inside the third-base line for the game-winning RBI, 2-1.

Tabor Academy came out flying in Andover's next game, taking a first-inning lead and never looking back en route to an 8-1 thrashing of the Blue. Andover surrendered a single run in the first, four in the second, and one each in the third, fifth and sixth innings. Gattuso was driven from the circle with two out in the third inning, having been charged with six runs (five earned). She was replaced by Jackie Higgins, who allowed four hits and two runs (one earned) in three-and-a-third innings of work. Andover was held to three singles by Seawolves P Erin White. The Blue's only run came when Garbarino once again led off with a base hit. A one-out error on a bunt by Higgins and a single by OF Sonya Schoenberger produced PA's only run of the game.

Andover had a long break while awaiting its elimination-game opponent, watching as Lawrence and Exeter battled through ten innings. Gattuso once again was in the pitcher's circle but, as was the case all day, she lacked run support. Andover would strand eleven baserunners in a 3-2, eight-inning loss. LA took a 1-0 lead in the third on back-to-back, two-out doubles by C Rebecca Fleming and SS Brenna Morrissey. PA responded immediately. Prathuri singled, was sacrificed ahead by Gattuso and went to third on 3B Shannon McSweeney's infield out. C Sarah Onorato's single drove in Prathuri to tie the game, but Onorato's steal of second was for naught. Andover left the bases loaded in the fourth, a runner on third in the fifth, and runners

at second and third in the seventh. Using the international tiebreaker, LA began the eighth with a runner on second base. Andover walked the dangerous Morrissey to set up a play at three bases, but a fielder's choice loaded the bases with none out. The next groundball nailed the runner at home, but a low throw on the one after that couldn't be handled and LA took a 2-1 lead. A decisive third run came across on yet another infield groundball that was slowly fielded, before an unassisted double play by McSweeney ended the inning.

Andover's home eighth epitomized its day. Down two runs, the orthodox tactic of bunting the run to third base would have cost a precious out, so PA hit away. 1B Riley Gardner slammed the sixth pitch of her at-bat for a double to left, scoring Boylan, and Mackenzie Skwierczynski entered the game to run for Gardner. Garbarino singled to put runners on first and third, and DP Sage Hunt's bunt moved Garbarino up to second, putting the potential winning run into scoring position, although Skwierczynski was unable to score on the play. But a foul pop gained the Spartans a key second out. Prathuri tried twice to squeeze in the tying run, but her bunts rolled foul. She was thrown out on a close play at first to end the game.

Unfortunately, Andover's three biggest bats went cold at an inopportune moment, going 4-for-27 (.148) with only one extra-base hit good for just one RBI, in contrast to their collective 60-for-129 (.465) with sixteen XBH and 44 RBI in the previous thirteen games. The team's record now stands at 13-3, with three road games left to play, one at Brooks on Wednesday, and the season-ending doubleheader at Exeter on Saturday.

Exeter

5/25/2009

The weather was glorious and the crowd large and enthusiastic as Exeter hosted its ancient rival in their annual season-ending doubleheader. As the cliché goes, throw out the teams' records when it comes to a rivalry, and this day proved to be no exception. Exeter entered the twin bill carrying a modest 3-10 record, while Andover drove north at 13-4, but both games couldn't have been more competitive. Twice, Andover shot out to significant early leads, only to see the Red mount fierce comebacks before the Blue regained its balance and hung on for 12-5 and 12-9 victories. Exeter played with great energy, keynoted by several plays by senior third baseman Mariah Napolitano worthy of a highlight reel, but PA's bats did some late-inning damage to enable the visitors to escape. The Blue played without injured #1 pitcher and leadoff hitter Caroline Gattuso, instead depending upon two freshmen hurlers, Jackie Higgins and Mackenzie Skwierczynski.

Andover struck immediately. 3B Shannon McSweeney reached on an infield error, and 2B Alayna Garbarino sacrificed her to second. C Sarah Onorato's double to left plated McSweeney. A walk to 1B Riley Gardner and an RBI single by RF Brianna McCarthy came amidst two more miscues en route to a fast 5-0 lead. But Exeter's CF Christina Lipson caught Onorato's deep fly ball in the second inning and kept Andover off the board by throwing a strike to SS Lily White, who relayed the ball to C Antigone Mitchell in time to tag out a PA runner at the plate. At the time, this play swung the momentum toward the Red.

Exeter crept back into the game with three runs in the home second inning, and tied it at 5-5 in the bottom of the third frame. After that, Higgins (4-0) retired twelve of the next thirteen Red batters, while the Blue rocked the hosts with three runs in the top of the fourth and four more in the fifth. The big blow in the fourth was a three-run homer by Gardner, which bounded off the top of the left-centerfield fence. SS Sarah Boylan's double produced three runs in the fifth inning. Exeter managed just four singles off Higgins, who was victimized by a rash of PA errors in the early innings.

Andover P Mackenzie Skwierczynski made her first varsity start in the second game, and went the three innings the coaching staff hoped she'd complete. Skwierczynski surrendered seven hits, but was hurt by a two-out, bases-loaded infield error in the second inning, which opened the door to a five-run Exeter rally. A leadoff triple in the home third, followed by a walk, stolen base, strikeout and RBI single knotted the game at 7-7, before an inning-ending double play turned by Boylan, Garbarino and Gardner. Despite being handed a 7-0 lead after the Blue's six-hit, two-walk, seven-run opening inning, Skwierczynski exited with the score tied. Still, she had pitched her three innings, giving Higgins vital time to rest.

Higgins would give up two more runs in the fourth inning, as Exeter took the lead, 9-7, but PA stormed back in the top of the fifth. OF Torie Norris reached base on an infield error and Sonya Schoenberger came into the game as a pinch-runner. Pinch-hitter Sage Hunt bunted Schoenberger to second and McSweeney's single put runners on first and third. Garbarino walked, but Onorato's smash to third was turned into a force-out at home by Napolitano and Mitchell, erasing Schoenberger. Boylan's single drove in McSweeney and Gardner's double sent home Garbarino and Boylan to make the score, 10-9. While Higgins was again finding strength in the late going, this time setting down eleven of the last twelve batters she faced, PA tagged on two insurance runs in the top of the seventh. Onorato hit a one-out single, advanced to second on a wild pitch and to third on Boylan's long fly ball to center, which was caught just in front of the fence. Gardner's two-out, nine pitch at-bat, punctuated by several long foul balls, appeared to end with a swing and miss but the catcher couldn't handle the pitch cleanly and Gardner made it to first base as Exeter vainly tried to tag out the onrushing Onorato, who had sprinted for home as soon as Gardner had taken off for first base. After a walk, McCarthy's at-bat culminated in a double to left on the sixth pitch she saw, driving in Gardner to give Andover a three-run lead that it would maintain. Higgins (5-0) was credited with the win.

At day's end, at a picnic generously provided by the players' parents, Andover (15-4) bid farewell to four seniors: Captain Sarah Boylan, shortstop; pitcher-outfielder Caroline Gattuso; outfielder-third baseman Brianna McCarthy; and outfielder Torie Norris. Gattuso's fine post-graduate season saw her compile a 10-4, 1.80 pitching record, striking out 62 while walking just 15, and batting .396 with 10 RBI in her 17 games played. McCarthy's versatility was highly prized and Norris finished her varsity season by reaching base three times in three plate appearances. The Blue went 59-13 (.819) during Boylan's four-year varsity career, during which she pitched, played left field, third base and shortstop, while batting in five different spots in the lineup. She totaled 80 hits, almost a third of them for extra bases, good for a .362 batting average, and pitched 51.1 innings, winning all four of her decisions, including a memorable victory in a long relief appearance at Brooks as a Lower. She was a complete ballplayer whose achievements rank among the best in Andover's softball history. Both Sarah (Middlebury) and Caroline (Bates) are going on to play for NESCAC teams.

Despite Loss of Key Players, Andover Looks to Repeat Success

By Chris Cameron
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

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Riding on the arm of ace pitcher Michelle Hollebecke '08 and the power and leadership of catcher Stephanie Clegg '08, Andover softball went 16-4 last spring. This season, Andover looks to make another run at the annual postseason Big East championship, but the graduation of several stars from last year's team will make that task difficult.

The team's record earned the team a spot in the 2008 Big East tournament in which Andover finished as the runner-up to Lawrence Academy.

Captain Sarah Boylan '09 said, "We have high hopes and expectations that we will continue the winning tradition of Andover softball this year."

The return of Boylan and Alayna Garbarino '10 will keep the middle infield impenetrable this year as the starting shortstop and second baseman, respectively.

Boylan and Garbarino also bring good bats to the lineup and will be crucial parts of the Andover offense. Boylan will look to build off her performance in the Andover/Exeter doubleheader last year, in which she hit three home runs and knocked in eight runs.

Sarah Onorato '11 will take over as the starting catcher, and she will be counted on to bring in runs with her great bat. "Sarah was an extremely consistent hitter last season and great in the field. I am predicting another great season," said Garbarino.

Post-graduate Caroline Gattuso '09 will be the ace of the

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for the win. She struck out six batters on the day in a remarkable Andover debut.

The bats for Andover were perhaps most impressive, considering it was the first time the team has seen live pitching.

"We've only had one practice outside and haven't gotten a chance to face any pitching besides the pitching machine, so I thought we hit extremely well," said Shannon McSweeney '11.

If Andover continues to preform as it did Wednesday, the team has high hopes for another successful season this year.

T. FERGUSON/ *THE PHILLIPIA*

Sarah Onorato '11 makes contact at the plate.

B. BRODIE/ *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Captain Sarah Boylan '09 makes contact as she takes a swing in Saturday's scrimmage.

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Two Scrimmages Prepare Andover for Upcoming Season

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Despite not having any official regular season games this week, the Andover Softball Team still took part in live action play with a three-way scrimmage at home with Andover High School and Lowell High School.

In the first game of the day, the team easily defeated Andover High.

Jackie Higgins '12 made her varsity debut with a stellar performance. Batterymate Sarah Onorato '11 said, "I thought she did a great job in her first varsity appearance."

Onorato was Andover's star at the plate, going two for three with a home run to lead the home team's offense.

In game two, Andover lost to Lowell by a score of 4-3. Caroline Gattuso '09 took the mound for the home team and pitched consistently well despite the loss.

"Although we made some defensive mistakes, Caroline never lost her composure and made several great pitches," said Coach Peter Drench.

Mackenzie Skwierczynski '12 pitched the sixth inning to close out the game.

Although the games were scrimmages, they didn't stop Andover from making some great defensive plays.

Captain Sarah Boylan '09 relayed a cutoff throw from Shannon McSweeney '11 to catcher Onorato. Onorato in turn tagged out a Lowell runner at the plate in an organized display of team work.

After an impressive running catch, Boylan combined with Onorato to tag out a Lowell runner trying to steal second base.

The scrimmages allowed both new and seasoned Andover players the opportunity to play in live action, which was much needed considering the team has only practiced outside a few times.

The scrimmages also allowed Drench to pick up on weaknesses that the team can improve on.

"We need to develop consistency in our play," he said.

Drench continued, "We also still need to go over our first and third defensive packages and settle on a batting order."

But overall, Drench said he was pleased with the team's performance.

"Our players worked hard and felt like a real team, even this early in the season. They've had a positive attitude, and we were able to make the most of both of our scrimmages," he said.

Gardner '10 said, "This season is a fresh start for us as a team since we graduated a lot of Seniors last year. These scrimmages helped us create a new team dynamic, and they gave us a good assessment of what we need to work on."

Andover looks to build on its early season momentum at tomorrow's home game against Nobles.

Onorato '11 Hits Grand Slam for First Home Run of Season

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PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

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A Sarah Onorato '11 grand slam highlighted a 10 run explosion in the 2nd inning of Andover's road win at Middlesex last Friday. The next day, however, the team fell victim to a relentless Choate team in a blowout loss at home.

After a scoreless first inning on Friday, Andover got to work on its second inning outburst. Captain Sarah Boylan '09 led off the inning with a walk, and was driven home by a Caroline Gattuso '09 single. Sonya Schoenberger '11 drove the next two runs home with a single of her own to run the score to 3-0.

Two walks then loaded the bases for Onorato, who cleared them with her bomb into the left-center gap. Andover scored three more runs on singles by Alayna Garbarino '10 and Brianna McCarthy '09, as Andover cruised to a 12-2 victory.

On the mound was Gattuso, who threw four scoreless innings and struck out 6 batters to bring her record on the year to 3-0. Mackenzie Skwierczysnki '12 relieved Gattuso, and pitched the last three innings in her varsity debut.

The 10 run second showed why Andover's depth is one of the team's strength. Middlesex issued 12 walks on the day, and Andover drove those base runners home with 11 hits.

One of those hits was Onorato's grand slam, which was good for her first home run of the season. Onorato continues to sizzle at the plate with a .533 batting average and six RBIs.

Also impressive has been her play behind the plate as the team's catcher. "Sarah has also done a good job calling pitches and is working especially well with Caroline Gattuso," said Coach Peter Drench.

On Saturday, the team suffered after Choate scored two runs in the top of the first. Andover bounced back as Boylan doubled home a run in the home half of the inning, but Choate had 4 hits and 2 runs in the top of the second to bring the score to 7-1.

Despite a 2-run double from Gattuso in the next half inning, Andover couldn't recover from the early six run deficit, and ended up losing 13-4. "After a suspect play in the infield, Choate scored the two runs in the first inning that set the tone for the rest of the game," said Coach Drench.

Andover players knew that the way the team played on Saturday was not up to its potential. "Choate was a good team. That said, we could have easily competed with them had we played our game," said Onorato.

On the positive side of things, Boylan has improved her game, as she hit the ball hard in both games and looked like she has in the past at the plate. Gattuso also showed that she is not only a weapon on the mound, as she established herself as a rock in the Andover lineup with a 3 for 4 game on Saturday.

Despite its first loss of the season, Coach Drench is confident in his 3-1 team moving forward. "Our best days are ahead. This is a good group and they're unafraid of working at the game, and I know that we'll do our best to improve."

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Sonya Schoenberger '11 relays a ball from the outfield.

T. FERGUSON / *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Brianna McCarthy '09 throws a ball in from the outfield in Saturday's doubleheader.

SOFTBALL

Andover Completes Perfect Week; Boylan '09 Fuels Four Wins

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Captain Sarah Boylan '09 and Sarah Onorato '11 combined for 6 RBI's in an Andover win over Tabor in the second game of a doubleheader on Saturday. Andover also defeated Cushing in the day's first game, romped New Hampton the previous Friday, and dominated over rival Exeter this Wednesday.

Andover dominated Friday's game from the start, as New Hampton's starting pitcher left the game with an injury and the opposition had no quality relievers to replace her. Taking advantage of the inexperienced pitching, Andover scored 16 runs in just 5 innings. In the end, the game was shortened because of the mercy rule.

On Saturday, Andover hosted three teams—Tabor, Cushing and Exeter—but only played Cushing and Tabor in its doubleheader.

In the first game, Andover was able to defeat the previously unbeaten Cushing Purple Penguins, 8-3. Caroline Gattuso '09 was on the mound and allowed only three unearned runs in seven innings of work. The offense was at her back, as seven different Andover hitters drove in runs. Shannon McSweeney '11, Caroline Kauffman '10 and Brianna McCarthy '09 led the offense with two hits apiece.

In the nightcap, Andover dug itself into an early hole by allowing three runs to cross the plate due to two errors. After four innings, the home team trailed by a score of 5-1. With the bases loaded in the following inning, however, Onorato hit a three run triple on an 0-2 count to bring Andover within one run.

"She threw me a fastball middle out. I compacted my swing and drove it to the gap in right center," said Onorato of the hit.

Boylan then singled up the middle to tie the game at five, and Andover added four more runs to seal the 9-6 victory.

Jackie Higgins '11 started for the home team and went the first four innings while keeping Andover in contention for the win.

On Wednesday, Andover played at home against Exeter. The offense was able to push across five runs by getting timely hits and running the bases aggressively. In the first three innings, both teams were held scoreless, but Andover's bats awoke when McCarthy got Andover's first hit. The timely hits included an Alayna Garbarino '10 RBI double and a Riley Gardner '10 RBI single. Andover also scored another run when Gardner was safe at home on a first and third double steal.

The five runs were more than enough as Higgins threw her first career complete game while striking out six.

Higgins allowed only one Exeter run, as Andover won 5-1.

With the 4-0 week, Andover improved its record to 7-1 on the season.

Y. WATANABE/ *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Alayna Garbarino '10 turns to make a play against Lawrence Academy in Softball's 2-1 win last Saturday.

Clutch Double Play from Garbarino '10 Preserves Close Win Over Lawrence Academy

By Chris Cameron
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Alayna Garbarino '10 scooped up a ground ball, tagged a opposing runner and threw to first for a double play to preserve the lead and seal Andover's home win over Lawrence Academy. After the 2-1 win, Andover traveled to Deerfield and defeated a struggling Deerfield team to bring its record on the season to 12-1.

In a rematch of last year's Big East championship game against Lawrence Academy, Caroline Gattuso '09 was on the mound for the home team. Against Larence Academy, she churned out 7 innings of one-run softball.

"We knew from warm ups that the fastball wasn't going to be the go to pitch of the day, which it has been for virtually the entire season," said catcher Sarah Onorato '11.

Gattuso said, "Luckily, my drop curve and changeup were working really well which was convenient since Lawrence had a bunch of great hitters that I needed to keep the ball down on anyway."

Lawrence Academy scored its only run in the top of the third inning by taking advantage of an Andover error, but Andover bounced back with two runs.

Those runs would be all the team needed, as Gattuso shut down the Lawrence bats for the rest of the game. The defense held strong besides the lapse in the third, and Garbarino's play was monumental, as Lawrence was threatening in the seventh inning.

Andover also showed that it can win close games with the win over the talented Spartans. During a year in which most games have been lopsided victories, the team has not played in many nail-biters. "We just kept our heads in it and played our game, and our hard work paid off to give us the win," said Shannon McSweeney '11.

Captain Sarah Boylan '09 said, "LA was definitely one of the better teams we have played all season and we had to stay on our toes the entire game."

The next day, Andover made the long bus trip to western Massachusetts to play the 0-10 Deerfield team. Although Andover is clearly the better team, it snuck out of the game with a close 10-9 victory.

Andover's defense did not play up to its potential in the win, as three errors led to a five-run Deerfield rally in the sixth inning. The miscues made Jackie Higgins '12 work to get extra outs, but she trudged through 6 innings of work while striking out 11 batters.

At the plate, Andover pushed across one run in the first inning and exploded for six runs in the second. The second inning rally was capped off by an Onorato three-run home run that put Andover up 7-0. Gattuso added three hits and an RBI, Boylan smacked two hits and RBI, and McSweeney slapped two hits.

Despite the defensive struggles, Andover was able to push across enough runs to come home with the win, but the team knows it will have to play better to have success in the tournament this weekend.

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Sarah Boylan '09 lunges forward as she makes a dash for the next base.

SOFTBALL

Three-Run Blast By Gardner '10 Propels Andover Past Exeter

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With the game tied at five in the top of the fourth inning, Riley Gardner '10 stepped to the plate with runners on first and second against Exeter's star pitcher.

With a full count, she hit a three-run blast over the fence in left-center field to give Andover the lead as the Andover crowd went wild. The team would eventually win the game 12-5, pairing up nicely with a 12-9 victory in the second game of the doubleheader.

Earlier in the week, Andover made the short trip to Brooks and lost 4-3.

Facing Britt Hart, one of the premier prep school pitchers in the area, Andover came out determined to get to her early. Shannon McSweeney '11 worked a walk in her first plate appearance of the day. Sarah Onorato '11 then drove her in with a triple to put the team up 1-0.

Brooks got out of the inning without any further damage, but Andover scored again when Captain Sarah Boylan '09 drove in McSweeney for the team's second run in the third inning.

Caroline Gattuso '09 kept Brooks off the scoreboard for the first three innings, but surrendered two in the fourth and one in the fifth as Brooks took a 3-2 lead. Andover added a third run in the sixth inning, tying the game. But Brooks scored a run in the bottom of the seventh for the walk-off victory.

On Saturday, Andover faced Exeter in what is always a tight battle, no matter what the team's records are coming into the game. This year, Andover came in with the upper hand at 13-4 while Exeter came into the day with a 3-10 record, but both games were close to the finish as Andover swept the doubleheader.

In the first game, Jackie Higgins '12 started in place of the injured Gattuso. Despite the lack of help from her defense, she only allowed four Exeter singles as the opposition tallied five runs in her seven innings of work.

On the offensive side, Andover came out firing on all cylinders by scoring five runs in the first frame. Onorato got the offense started with a double to drive McSweeney home.

After Exeter came roaring back in the second and third innings to tie the game at five, Gardner hit a bomb to break the tie in the fourth. She said, "It felt amazing to be able to come through for the team when we needed it."

Sarah Boylan followed with a three run double to pad Andover's lead. The team would eventually win 12-5 after Higgins retired 12 out of the last 13 batters.

In game two, Andover once again took an early lead with a seven run first inning. Exeter didn't go down easy though, as it tied the game at seven by the third inning.

Mackenzie Skwierczynski '12 made her first varsity start on the mound and did the best she could to limit the damage after several errors by the Andover defense. She went the first three innings and Higgins relieved her in the last 4 innings.

After Exeter took a 9-7 lead in the fourth, Andover reclaimed the lead after Boylan and Gardner combined to knock in three runs. Andover would go on to win the game 12-9.

Andover ended its season with a solid 15-4 record.

Prathuri '10 Drives in Game Winning Run in Playoff Win

By Chris Cameron
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Ramya Prathuri '10 hit a line drive down the left field line to bring home the game-winning run in the seventh inning during Andover softball's 2-1 victory over Worcester in the Big East tournament on Saturday. But Andover's success was limited to just the first game, as it lost its next two games and was knocked out of the tournament.

Though Andover swept a doubleheader against Worcester earlier in the season, the opposition did not go down easily in Saturday's tournament. Caroline Gattuso '09 took to the mound for Andover, keeping the Hilltopper's offense at bay all morning by only allowing three hits in the complete game effort.

But Andover offense did not have as much success and was kept scoreless through the first three innings by a resilient Worcester squad. Andover took advantage of some crucial mistakes by the Worcester defense in the fourth inning. Captain Sarah Boylan '09 reached base with one out on an error, and advanced to second on a passed ball. She later scored on yet another Worcester error to give Andover the lead.

Worcester bounced back to knot the score at one to one in the next half inning, and the game remained tied until the seventh. In Andover's home half of the inning, Alayna Garbarino '10 led off with a single to left. Caroline Kauffman '10 followed with a bunt base hit, and a passed ball moved them both to scoring position. Prathuri then sent the game winning hit down the line, and trotted home to give Andover the walk-off 2-1 victory as her teammates greeted her at the plate.

In the second game, Andover quickly fell to a large deficit against Tabor. Gattuso, who was starting her second consecutive game, didn't have her best stuff and was relieved in the third inning after surrendering six runs. Sonya Schoenberger '11 drove in Andover's only run of the game against a brilliant Tabor pitcher who only allowed Andover three singles. Andover eventually lost 8-1.

In an elimination game, Andover faced Lawrence Academy to see who would advance to the next round. Andover defeated Lawrence earlier this season by a score of 2-1, so the team expected a close game.

After the regulation seven innings, the game was tied at one and began to move on to extra innings. The international tiebreaker rule was used in the tournament, so Lawrence started the inning with a runner on second. Despite some great efforts by the Andover defense, Lawrence pushed across two runs. In the home half of the eighth, Riley Gardner '10 brought the game within one with a double to lead off the inning, as the tiebreaker runner came home to score. Garbarino then singled to put runners on first and third, but Andover could not bring home the tying run, and fell to Lawrence 3-2, ending Andover's run in the tournament.

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Caroline Gattuso '09 winds up to deliver the pitch in Andover's victory against Worcester.

Sport: Boys Tennis

Year: 2009

Captain: Trey Meyer

Coach: Greg Wilkin

Season Record

Won 9 Lost 4 Tied 0

Reached NE Finals

Letterwinners

Adamsson, Mark
Kontaxis, Michael
Meyer, Richard
O'Neil, Grosvenor
Png, Chien-Yi
Schlacks, Hunter
Zou, Anthony

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Tennis Boys Varsity A
2009 Roster

Name	Yr	Hometown
Adamsson, Mark	2011	Stockholm, Swed
Kontaxis, Michael	2011	Rancho Mirage, CA
Meyer, Richard	2009	New Orleans, LA
O'Neil, Grosvenor	2012	Prides Crossing, MA
Png, Chien-Yi	2010	Singapore
Schlacks, Hunter	2011	Raleigh, NC
Zou, Anthony	2009	Short Hills, NJ

Coach: Greg Wilkin

Schedule and Record

Record: 9/4/0

DATE/TIME	OPPONENT	H/A	TYPE	SCORE
4/1 @ 3:00 PM	B. B. & N.		Game	W 9-6
4/4 @ 4:15 PM	Taft School		Game	W 6-1
4/10 @ 4:30 PM	Groton School		Game	W 7-2
4/15 @ 3:15 PM	Tabor Academy		Game	W 5-1
4/17 @ 4:45 PM	St. Paul's School	H	Game	W 4-3
4/24 @ 4:30 PM	Roxbury Latin	H	Game	W 4-0
4/25 @ 2:45 PM	Deerfield Academy		Game	L 3-4
4/29 @ 2:30 PM	Phillips Exeter Academy	H	Game	W 7-0
5/1 @ 4:45 PM	Milton Academy		Game	L 2-4
5/9 @ 2:30 PM	Choate Rosemary Hall	H	Game	L 3-4
5/12 @ 3:30 PM	Andover High School	H	Game	W 4-1
5/16 @ 9:30 AM	Tournament		Game	L 2nd Place
5/20 @ 2:30 PM	Phillips Exeter Academy		Game	W 6-1
5/23 @ 9:00 AM	Tournament		Game	

BBN

4/1/2009

On Wednesday, April 1st, the Boys Varsity began its season of match-play with a come-from-behind victory over an improved BB & N team at the Cambridge school's indoor site. The contest, using ISL scoring, no-ad, began with doubles, each counting one point. Lower Hunter Schlacks and Upper Max Png, playing their first matches for Andover, began auspiciously with a convincing 8-4 win again Cam Roberts and Will Kauppila at t hird doubles. Then, Michael Kontaxis and Mark Adamsson of Andover, both lowers, fell to BB & N captain Sam Clark and his partner Sye Julian, 8-5 at two. Andover captain Trey Meyer led the way in first doubles, however, and a service break won the set for the Blue. Three courts were available to the team match, and so first through third singles began, playing two no-ad sets, each counting one point. Trey lost his first to Lovett-Woodson; Zou and Kontaxis lost both sets to Clark and ninth-grader Jess Karol respectively. Trey turned things around with Lovett-Woodson, however, and took the second set, 6-2, making it then necessary for the remaining singles players, Adamsson, Schlacks and ninth-grader Myles O'Neil to win 5 out of 6 remaining sets. They won all six.

Doubles

1) Trey Meyer and Tony Zou beat Cam Lovett-Woodson and Jess Karol of BB & N, 8-6.
2) Michael Kontaxis and Mark Adamsson lost to Aje Julian and Sam Clark, 8-5.
3) Hunter Schlacks and Max Png beat Cam Roberts and Will Kauppila, 8-4.

Singles

1) Trey Meyer split sets with Lovett-Woodson, 3-6, 6-2.
2) Tony Zou lost both sets to Sam Clark of BB & N, 6-1, 6-0.
3) Michael Kontaxis lost both sets to Jess Karol of BB & N, 6-4, 6-4.
4) Mark Adamsson beat Cam Roberts of BB & N, 6-1, 6-0.
5) Hunter Schlacks beat Sam Bokaross of BB & N, 6-0, 6-0.
6) Myles O'Neil beat Will Kauppila of BB & N, 6-2, 6-3 (second set starting at 2-2).

Taft

4/4/2009

We played Taft partly indoors and partly out on a cold, windy Saturday in Watertown, Ct. with Doubles first, indoors. Trey Meyer and Tony Zou stayed undefeated at number one, with an 8-4 win over Phil Simard and Taft captain Charlie Wagner. Although Michael Kontaxis and Mark Adamsson lost at number two, 9-7, Hunter Schlacks and Myles O'Neil cam through with a powerful display of forehands and putaways against

Cam Mullen and Ryan Collier. The top three singles matches were played outside, with Trey beating Simard 6-1, 6-1, Tony losing to Max Brazo, 6-2, 6-2, and Michael beating Wagner, 6-2, 6-0. Since both of the players in each of the last three matches wanted to play indoors, that's where those matches happened, on Taft's lightning-fast indoor surface. This certainly enhanced Mark's big game, and he won easily over Collier, while Hunter beat Mullen 6-1, 6-4 and Myles beat Andy Cannon 6-2, 6-4, giving Andover a convincing 6-1 win.

Doubles:
Trey Meyer and Tony Zou beat Philippe Simard (10) and Charlie Wagner (12), 8-4.
Michael Kontaxis and Mark Adamsson lost to Max Brazo (10) and Paley, 9-7.
Hunter Schlacks and Myles O'Neil beat Cam Mullen (11) and Ryan Collier (11), 8-2.

Singles:
Trey Meyer beat Philippe Simard 6-1, 6-1.
Tony Zou lost to Max Brazo, 6-2, 6-2.
Michael Kontaxis beat Charlie Wagner, 6-2, 6-0.
Mark Adamsson beat Ryan Collier, 6-1, 6-0.
Hunter Schlacks beat Cam Mullen, 6-1, 6-4.
Myles O'Neil beat Andy Cannon (10), 6-2, 6-4.

Groton
4/10/2009

Groton hosted the Blue varsity on Friday, April 10th, outdoors, beginning at 4:30. Accordingly, we played singles first to make best use of the dwindling light. Trey Meyer beat senior Groton co-captain Reed Simmons 6-1, 6-3; Andover's lower-middler Mark Adamsson beat senior co-captain Arjun Aggarwal 6-0, 6-1; Lower Michael Kontaxis dominated in the first set against Charlie Bolton but lost in three, 6-1, 5-7, 4-6. Lower Hunter Schlacks beat Orne Thompson and Junior Myles O'Neil beat Ken Balotto, both by scores of 6-1, 6-1. Upper Max Png, in his singles debut, beat Ted Leonhart 6-3, 6-0. In doubles, senior Tony Zou joined Adamsson at number one, but fell to Simmons and Aggarwal 8-4. Myles and Hunter won their set against Balotto and Leonhart, 8-2. Max and Michael won by the same margin in third doubles against Andy Swansburg and Jack Cohen as darkness fell. We very much appreciate the sportsmanship and cordiality shown by Coach John Conner and his team.

Tabor
4/15/2009

Andover Boys Tennis beat a very good Tabor squad Wednesday April 15th at Tabor, 5-1. If one were to have watched the entirety of the longest match of the day, Trey Meyer's 7-5, 7-5 win at first singles, one

wouldn't have known that after only a few games Trey was up against brutal blistering on both hands. He was also up against Tabor's excellent Jamaican Junior Davis Cupper, Adam Vaz, a fast, powerful all-courter with all the shots. Trey found himself down a break in the first set, but came back at crunch time with a series of running passes and lobs, as well as some finely constructed net rushes, to win the last four games. Vaz predictably unleashed a storm of huge forehands and once again was up a break, when Trey reasserted himself with his usual baffling variety of excellent shots, including some timely big serves. This was an outstanding win against a quality opponent. Equally laudable was lower-middler Mark Adamsson's beautiful play at number two against a hugely talented 11th-grader, Carlos Lopes, a product of the Tennacity program in Boston, Mark winning very maturely in straights, using an all-court style. Hunter Schlacks played with determination and savvy against an accomplished sophomore, Max Bearse, while Michael Kontaxis and Myles O'Neil solved the problems of wind and arrhythmia on the upper courts with straight-set victories. The team match having been settled in singles, and the Varsity B having already won their match, doubles was dispensed with so the Andover and Tabor scholars could get back to their academic work. The Tabor squad looks pretty deep for next year, losing only Vax and Dunne and gaining some good new players.

Singles:

Trey Meyer vs. Adam Vaz (12) W 7-5, 7-5
Mark Adamsson vs. Carlos Lopes (11) W 6-4, 6-3
Tony Zou vs. Peter Michaelis (10) L 6-4, 6-3
Hunter Schlacks vs. Max Bearse (10) W 6-3, 6-2
Michael Kontaxis vs. Pup Ruckpanich (10) W 6-3, 6-2
My les O 'Neil vs. Matt Dunne (12) W 6-1, 6-1

Doubles matches were not played.

St. Paul's

4/17/2009

St. Paul's visited on Friday, April 17th bringing a 2-2 record in ISL matches; they fought down to the wire before losing 4-3. We played singles first, because Friday matches start late. Trey Meyer had a very good day against Jamie Raffini at number one and Tony Zou had trouble at number three against the very tough senior Will Rives. The next to finish was Michael Kontaxis, who had managed to fit his singles match in between his two cantoring duties, and he didn't play up to his normal standard, losing at number five to 11th-grader Will Schoder. Mark Adamsson at number two against the hard-hitting lefty Tom Bartlet prevailed in well-contested straight sets, 7-5, 6-4 after Hunter Schlacks reported in with a business-like 6-4, 6-2 against SPS senior John Hwang. The last match in the gathering gloom was Max Png against J. Y. Kwak, and Max tried to break down Kwak's hard-hitting with determined defensive play to no avail, 7-6 (8), 6-4. So, tied at three-all, the teams began doubles after sunset. Luckily, Meyer and Zou had an early result against Raffini and Rives, 8-3, allowing the second and third doubles matches to be moved indoors. The first to finish was

third dubs, with Hunter Schlacks and Myles O'Neil beating Schoder and Kwak 8-6, powered by Myles' strong serving and Hunter's accurate passes. A close call against some good players!

Singles:

Trey Meyer beat Jamie Raffini (11), 6-0, 6-0.
Mark Adamsson beat Tom Bartlet (10), 7-5, 6-4.
Tony Zou lost to Will Rives (12), 6-1, 6-0.
Hunter Schlacks beat John Hwang (9), 6-4, 6-2.
Michael Kontaxis lost to Will Schoder (10), 6-2, 6-2.
Max Png lost to J. Y. Kwak (9), 7-6 (8), 6-4.

Doubles:

Meyer/Zou beat Raffini/Rives, 8-3.
Adamsson/Png incomplete vs. Bartlet/Hwang
Schlacks/Myles O'Neil vs. Schoder/Kwak, 8-6.

Roxbury Latin

4/24/2009

On Friday, April 24th, former Andover tennis great Ousmane Diop brought his Roxbury Latin team to our courts for a non-league match and Andover came away with a 4-0 win, but not before the RL squad fought hard in every match. We played doubles first, and the Blue had good results fairly quickly in second and third, with Mark Adamsson and Michael Kontaxis beating Carl DeFranco and Perry Hart, 8-1 and Schlacks and O'Neil for Andover beating J. B. Gough and Cam Ferguson, 8-5. The first three singles matches to finish were Trey Meyer over David Hill, 6-3, 6-0, at number one, Hunter Schlacks 6-3, 6-3 over Ryan Sullivan at Three, and Max Png, 6-2, 6-0 at six over RL's Andrew Kim. Adamsson vs. DeFranco (2), Zou vs. Gough (4), and Kontaxis vs. Perry Hart (5) were discontinued at that point. The Blue are now 6-0 on the season.

Deerfield

4/25/2009

The morning after a convincing win over Roxbury Latin, the Blue made a trip to Deerfield and put their undefeated string on the line against a team that, while having lost to Taft (whom we had beaten 6-1) and Loomis, were still known to be tough competitors, known for decent depth in their lineup. Deerfield surprised the top two Andover doubles teams with gambling net play; mistakes proved costly as Siderides/Wheatley and Kovalenko/Long came away with victories that gave Deerfield a 1-0 advantage going into singles.

Needing only three of the six singles matches to win, Deerfield put themselves in a good position with wins at three (Wieczorek over Schlacks) and four (Long over Zou). The Blue needed to win all the remaining singles, but when Trey came away with a 6-2, 6-1 win over Andrew Siderides, things looked bright for Andover: Mark was comfortably up against Wheatley at two, Michael had pulled through to take a first set tiebreaker against Kovalenko, and Max Png was moving ahead of Griffis in the second set, having lost a tiebreaker in the first. When Mark and Michael closed out their matches it all fell on the shoulders of upper-middler Png, and he played a very determined defensive game against Griffis, who didn't let the heat get to him, facing drop-lob-drop-lob combinations that would have worn out lesser competitors. He should be given credit for toughness and determination, pulling out a 6-3 final set to give Deerfield the upset victory.

Exeter

4/29/2009

Andover's Boys Tennis record went to 7 wins and 1 loss, Wednesday, April 29, with the arrival of Tony Greene's Exeter team. Trey Meyer and Mark Adamsson played their first match together at number one, and put on a picture-perfect display of strong, error-free, dominant tennis, winning 8-0 against Sterling Hedderich and Dan Huang. The doubles point went to Andover with an 8-0 win from Schlacks and O'Neil at number three over Rajkumar and Ying. In singles, Trey Meyer continued his unbeaten string with a merciless attack against Will Abisalih, 6-2, 6-0. Hunter Schlacks took honors for the day, however, with a double bagel against senior James Ying at three. Next to report was Myles O'Neil at six, with a 6-1, 6-3 win over Ved Rajkumar. Then Michael Kontaxis prevailed against upper middler Jon Chen of Exeter, 6-3, 6-1 and Mark Adamsson at number two disposed of a stubborn baseliner, Sterling Hedderich, 3-6, 6-3 (10-5). Finally, Tony Zou pulled out a win at four against Dan Huang, 6-4, 4-6 (10-8). The Andover squad seems to be firing on all cylinders just in time for the biggest match of the season to date, Friday's contest at Milton.

Milton

5/1/2009

Doubles (played first):

1. Trey Meyer and Mark Adamsson lost to Andrew Lebovitz and Will Hunnewell, 8-3.
2. Tony Zou and Michael Kontaxis lost to Noah Bragg and Matts Lebovitz, 8-1.
3. Hunter Schlacks and Myles O'Neil discontinued leading 5-4.

Singles:

1. Trey Meyer beat Noah Bragg, 6-4, 6-2.
2. Mark Adamsson lost to Andrew Lebovitz, 6-3, 6-3.
3. Hunter Schlacks vs. Will Hunnewell, discontinued down 2-0 in third.
4. Tony Zou lost to Matt Lebovitz., 6-4, 6-3
5. Michael Kontaxis lost to Josh Cohen, 6-4, 6-2.

6. Myles O'Neil beat Pup 6-4, 6-0.
(7. Max Png lost 6-4)

Our match on Friday at Milton was rightly billed as the biggest of our season, and it was both fun to play and fun to watch. After some lackluster doubles, with the ones and twos losing to alert, opportunistic Milton counterparts, Andover had to win four of the six singles matches. Trey was facing an excellent foe in Noah Bragg, and each player took turns asserting himself until Trey's consistency and adaptability turned the tide late in the first set and then, after some long games, midway in the third. As Trey finished off his match, it briefly looked to Coach Wilkin as if Andover had a chance of pulling off a 4-3 or even 5-2 win, with Mark Adamsson looking fresh and effective in his second set against the elder Lebovitz, Myles in control at six, and both Hunter at three and Michael at five looking as if they knew what they were doing. But Cohen had gotten too far ahead to be caught by the resurgent Kontaxis, and a couple of crucial misses by Mark gave the advantage to the Milton captain at two.

Choate

5/9/2009

On Saturday May 9, Choate visited Andover, having lost to Taft, Loomis and Deerfield. But we knew they were a tough team, having just beaten Exeter 7-0. The Andover first doubles team was the first to strike, Trey and Mark playing a very fast, clean, aggressive game, beating Jamie Greenwald and Chip Lebovitz, 8-4. The doubles point eventually went to Choate, however, with Hunter and Myles losing to Tom Guo and Stephen Hill, 8-4, and the third doubles team of Tony Zou and Michael Kontaxis losing to Kobi Boonbanjerdsri and Zander Rosenbluth, 8-5. In singles, Trey kept his undefeated season going with a fast win in straight sets, 1 and 1 over sophomore Greenwald and Mark also closed out a good win at number two 1 and love against Choate senior Stephen Hill.. Myles O'Neil continued his strong play at number six, getting Andover even at 3-3, with a 6-3, 6-4 victory over Boonbanjerdsri, after Michael Kontaxis lost at number five, 3 and 1 to Rosenbluth. It was all left to Andover senior Tony Zou against Choate senior co-captain Tom Guo. Tony had lost the first set, but came back to take the second, only to fall in a dramatic third, 6-3, needing to fight off nosebleeds and an audacious volleying attack from Guo.

Andover HS

5/12/2009

The Boys Varsity Tennis team enjoyed the annual visit from the AHS tennis squad under perennial Merrimack Valley champion coach Mike Wartman, playing the public school format on the PA courts: three singles and two doubles. Trey Meyer had the chance to test himself against AHS junior B.J. Merinder, and came away with a 6-2, 6-1 win. Mark Adamsson and Michael Kontaxis also had solid singles wins. Tony Zou and Max Png won at second doubles, but Hunter Schlacks and Myles O'Neil lost at first doubles. It was a

great opportunity for Michael, Tony, Max, Hunter and Myles to try out new approaches in their match play before any team or individual tournament activity in the coming weeks.

NE Tournament

5/16/2009

Andover came into the NEITA Team Tournament on Saturday, May 16th hoping to atone for earlier losses to Deerfield and Milton and came away with victories in both matches, 4-1 vs. Deerfield in the morning and 4-3 against Milton in the afternoon. The new third doubles team of Tony Zou and upper Max Png were to have their ordeal by fire against Deerfield and were impeccable against the Green Team's Griffis and Wieczorek, 8-3, with Tony showing great aggression at net and Max his trademark touch on drop volleys and deep lobs. When Hunter Schlacks and Myles O'Neil came back from a 7-2 deficit and took their doubles match 9-7, the Blue were elated; Trey and Mark could then discontinue their match at one, up two break points at seven-all. Singles went fairly quickly, Trey winning his 6-2, 6-1 against Andrew Siderides and Mark winning 6-4, 6-0 against the smooth lefty George Wheatley. Although Hunter lost at three, 6-1, 6-3 against Wieczorek, Myles O'Neil was dominant against Griffis, 6-1, 6-0, giving us a chance to rest up for the Milton match, since they had finished earlier than we did in their 4-0 victory over Groton.

Milton was undefeated in match play this season and seeded first in the tournament. Against them during the season we had won only the third doubles, first singles and sixth singles matches. We knew we had to take the doubles point if we were to have a chance and set to that task with a positive, aggressive approach, determined to move our pairs up and back together on both offense and defense. Schlacks and O'Neil lost to Bragg and the younger Lebovitz at second doubles 8-6, and Tony and Max had another great match at three, beating the somewhat dispirited David Bruce and Jeff Cohen 8-2. Earning the crucial doubles point, with a big win at number one, we needed three matches in the singles. Normally we could count on getting a sixth singles win but Myles had some trouble with Anthony Blake, whose approach to the match proved distracting; the coaches needed to take turns monitoring and overseeing this match, along with the Cohen vs. Kontaxis match at number five. Michael pulled through here, winning 7-5, 6-0, while Trey beat Bragg again, 1 and 3. With Tony's loss to Matt Lebovitz and Hunter's to Hunnewell, it all came down to Mark at number two against the excellent lefty co-captain, Andy Lebovitz, who had split with Mark. At the end of the second set, though, Mark had begun to cramp in both quads and both hamstrings, making remedial stretching rather painful and counterproductive. It was almost enough to make a player throw in the towel, but Mark pressed on, with the encouragement of his captain, teammates and attending classmates. He kept hitting accurate approaches, closed to net and covered passes and lobs as well as his faltering legs allowed, working his way to a break. His final angled volley winner stunned everyone there. It was an incredible, brave, determined, flawless achievement. Incapable of extending on his big serve or of banging his usual hard approaches, he had to be extraordinarily accurate and prudent with his shots. It was a masterful demonstration of strategy and situational problem-solving as well as ignoring pain and maintaining self-belief. 4-3, Andover over Milton.

Facing Loomis the next day at Loomis, the Andover boys had to deal with a very deep opposing team and an unusually big home crowd, one that proved raucous and only selectively appreciative. The crowd would erupt whenever a Loomis shot looked plausible, and the best Andover winners were met with absolute silence, producing an almost Davis-Cup atmosphere. The doubles point was a thriller, with Trey and Mark winning handily at number one against Arguimbau and Megas, and Tony and Max pulling out a 8-6 win, after being up 6-1. The winning shot, after a brave Zou poach, was a patented Max Png high lob that drove the Pelicans back to the fence, bounced, caught some wind and cleared the fence, unreturnable. In singles, Trey made quick work of Andrew Arguimbau at number one and, after losses at number three and five, Andover had to win two of the remaining three matches to take the championship. Mark needed a third set to polish off Mantiklas, 6-1, and Tony was down in a third set against Brinkerhoff. It came down to ninth-grader Myles O'Neil at sixth singles, who had won his first set against the undefeated Keenum. Andover was serving for the championship on two occasions in this second set, but it went to Loomis in a tiebreaker. And then, before long, Keenum was ahead 5-2 in the third. Myles fought back, however, and was serving at deuce in the ninth game when a Keenum drive landed close to the baseline. Myles' first call was out, and then he reversed his call in Keenum's favor, and asked for a let. Although it was eventually granted by the gracious Loomis coach, Myles allowed Keenum to take the point he strenuously asked for, setting up match point, which Keenum won with a go-for-broke forehand. Andover had no trouble recognizing the worthiness of their vanquishers, whose third through sixth singles players offered the best opposition at those positions we had seen all year. The score was 4-3, Loomis Chaffee.

Boys Tennis Hopes to Build Upon Success

By Elizabeth Oppong
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	**9**
BB&N	**6**

After a semifinal loss to Hotchkiss in last year's semifinals of the New England tournament, the Boys Tennis team is ready to take the title this year.

"We only have one goal, and that is to win the New Englands," said Captain Trey Meyer '09.

Last season, Andover won seven matches and lost only two. Choate beat Andover in the regular season, and Andover lost to Hotchkiss in the New Englands.

"I think we did pretty well last year, but we still need to improve," said Meyer.

Returning to help the team out in its endeavors are Meyer and Tony Zou '09, both of whom played in last year's top six seeds.

Both players will be crucial for Andover's success this year.

Meyer looks forward to the team's match against Milton because he has never had a win against them in his time here. Another experienced varsity returnee is Asa Harrington '09, who looks forward to another solid season.

The team this season looks very different than last year after losing several senior players, but it has been replaced with a mix of newcomers and steady veterans.

"I believe this season will be better than last season because we have an overall stronger ladder," said Meyer.

One newcomer to the team, Mark Adamsson '11, was ranked nationally in Sweden before he came to play in Andover, and will bring talent and experience to the ladder for the team.

Michael Kontaxis '11 and Hunter Schlacks '11, from California and North Carolina respectively, also had high rankings back in their home states and are expected to have a wonderful season.

Some players that have stood out are Myles O'Neil '12 from Prides Crossing, Massachusetts and Max Png '10 from Singapore.

"I have been impressed by them so far," said Coach Wilkin.

Will Frank '09 will also be returning to the team in 2009 after suffering a year-long injury last season.

The team is putting in a lot of hard work in hopes of becoming undefeated. Meyer has already worked the team through conditioning by running the Borden gym stairs.

This Wednesday, the team traveled to BB&N to play. The players had to adjust to the indoor court surface, which proved to be very difficult.

It was a close match between the two teams, and O'Neil came through in the end with a win to secure Andover's team victory. It was a thrilling match for the freshman.

This Saturday, Andover will pack up their bags and head off to Taft for its next match.

Deep Ladder Drives Andover Victory; Fast Courts Speed Up Play

By Elizabeth Oppong
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	**6**
Taft	**1**

Andover Boys Tennis faced off against Taft this past Saturday in the team's second match of the season to improve its record to 2-0 and continue its pursuit of a championship season.

The match against Taft was the first meeting of the two teams in over a year, as last year the game was canceled due to rain.

"We did not really know what their skill level was going into the match," said Captain Trey Meyer '09. This forced Andover to be on their toes from the start.

Andover traveled to cold, windy Watertown, Connecticut. The first doubles match played indoors while the top three matches were played outside. The indoor courts were lightning fast but that didn't alter the Andover approach.

The doubles team of Meyer and Tony Zou '09 cooperated well to finish with win 8-4. But, in an upset, the Andover team consisting of Michael Kontaxis '11 and Mark Adamsson '11 lost 7-9.

In the other doubles game of the day, Hunter Schlacks '11 and Myles O'Neil '12 used their powerful forehands to pull off a great win to give Andover the edge against Taft.

Meyer and Kontaxis both won their singles matches to add to the Andover team total. Meyer played a stunning match and won 6-1, 6-1 in two straight sets.

Kontaxis showed off his skill winning in a similarly dominating fashion at 6-2, 6-2. Zou, however, lost a tough match to a formidable Taft opponent, 2-6, 2-6.

The bottom three players were also crucial to Andover's success at Taft. Adamasson used the fast indoor courts to his advantage and defeated his opponent. Schlacks also prevailed with a score of 6-1, 6-4, and O'Neil won 6-2, 6-4.

All of the team members up and down the latter contributed for Andover to pull off a convincing 6-1 team win. Looking back on the victory, Meyer said he believes that the team still needs to work on consistency and dependable serves.

This Friday, Andover will grab its gear and head off to Groton in what is sure to be a challenging foe in the way of Andover's championship quest this season. Groton only lost one player from the last season, so it will definitely be an experienced and talented squad.

Meyer '09 Undefeated In Week's Two Wins

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PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	**7**
Groton	**2**

Andover	**5**
Tabor	**1**

Last Friday was a good Friday for the Andover team. Behind the play of Captain Trey Meyer '09 and Mark Adamsson '11, Andover thumped Groton on an afternoon of outdoor playing.

To add to the day's excitement, on his birthday Micheal Kontaxis '11 won his doubles match with partner Max Png '10 to help secure the Andover victory.

Groton hosted the Andover team on a night of outdoor playing. To take advantage of the diminishing light, Coach Wilkin summoned his singles players first.

Meyer beat the Groton Co-Captain 6-1, 6-3 without too much trouble. Up next, second seeded Adamsson played the other Groton Captain and prevailed 6-0, 6-1.

With two wins from the start, Andover looked very consistent, but Kontaxis lost his singles match in a turn of events. The lower from California dominated his first set, but struggled through the next two, losing 6-1, 5-7, 4-6.

"I had one of the most frustrating matches of my career," said Kontaxis.

Hunter Schlacks '11 and Myles O'Neil '12 were able to rebound and win their matches for the team. Both players trumped their opponents 6-1, 6-1.

Png had his debut match and proved to be a great asset for Andover, defeating his opponent 6-3, 6-0.

"I was losing 1-2 in the first set, but after getting a feel of how my opponent played, I managed to take the next 10 of 11 games to win," said Png of the first single match of his career.

Tony Zou '09 and Adamsson teamed up in doubles but lost their pro set 4-8. Schlacks and O'Neil won their match 8-2, and Png and Kontaxis beat their opponent 8-2 as well.

This Wednesday, Andover traveled to Tabor expecting a very tough match. Last year Tabor played Andover's Varsity B team, but this time Tabor had to face Andover's Varsity A squad.

Meyer played the first seed on the ladder against Adam Vaz, the top player on the Tabor team. Meyer has been playing number one for the past three years and is the former NEPSITT champion (a New England Prep School Tournament).

"I am really confident about our bottom three singles players, all of whom are accomplished shot-makers, mature strategists and match-tough, adaptable competitors," said Coach Greg Wilkin before the game.

Playing in ISL format where singles play only two sets and each set won gives the team one point, Andover lived up to its expectations and won overall as a team, 5-1.

This Friday Andover will be playing a highly anticipated match against St. Paul's School. One of the highlight matches will be Meyer's match against St. Paul's number one player, who is one of the strongest opponents in the league.

"It should be a crowd pleaser," said Wilkin.

Andover Dominates Doubles Play In Narrow Victory Over St. Paul's

By Elizabeth Oppong
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	**4**
St. Paul's	**3**

Last Friday, Andover hosted St. Paul's in one of their closest matches of the season.

Coming into the match, St. Paul's had a season record of 2-2.

"We were not running on all cylinders against St. Paul's," said Coach Greg Wilkin, "It was a very close call against a surprisingly tough team."

To start the singles action for the day, Captain Trey Meyer '09 was able to defeat his opponent quite easily with a score of 6-0, 6-0. Next up on the ladder was Mark Adamsson '11 who stuck it through a close match, winning 7-5, 6-4. He had one of the most dramatic matches of the day, and was just able to pull it off.

Playing at the third seed spot on the ladder, Tony Zou '09 struggled against an extremely talented player and lost 1-6, 0-6.

Hunter Schlacks '11 played 4th singles and showed off his skill winning 6-4, 6-2.

Michael Kontaxis '11 was uncharacteristically off point in his match, as he lost 2-6, 2-6. Despite the loss, Kontaxis is prepared to come back next week and bring on the heat.

Max Png '10 played a very tough match, but he did not go down without a fight.

Png had a very hard hitting opponent who rushed to the net often, and that forced Png to play defensively throughout.

He ended up losing in straight sets, 6-8, 4-6.

Coach Wilkin commented, "If Max had diversified his play the way he usually does, he would have probably managed a win."

With the score tied up after singles play, Andover went into doubles against St. Paul's. Meyer and Zou were up first for doubles. They handily beat their opponents in a timely fashion with a score of 8-3.

Andover continued their domination in doubles play as the team of Schlacks and O'Neil used their amazing technique to pull off another win of 8-6.

With a combination of O'Neil's powerful serves along with Schlack's great passing shots, they ended the deciding match in style. Andover beat St. Paul's 4-3.

On Friday, Andover will host Roxbury Latin in a highly anticipated matchup. Roxbury Latin has had some great wins so far this season and has given Andover some good competition in the past.

Saturday will be when the big challenge comes for Andover: Deerfield.

Playing in tournament format, Andover will be on its toes in a very closely contested match. Andover has defeated Deerfield in the past; however, this year Deerfield is even more threatening.

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Captain Trey Meyer '09 returns the ball against St. Paul's.

After Loss to Deerfield, Andover Tennis Shuts Out Exeter

By Elizabeth Oppong
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Last weekend, Boys Tennis faced a blast from the past. Ousmane Diop, a former member of the Andover tennis team, brought his team from Roxbury Latin to face off against Andover on Friday.

"We played strong, confident tennis against Roxbury Latin," said Coach Wilkin.

The doubles team of Mark Adamsson '11 and Michael Kontaxis '11 dominated their game from the start, ending with a score of 8-1. Hunter Schlacks '11 and Myles O'Neil '12 also won their match, 8-5.

Up first for singles was Captain Trey Meyer '09 who won 6-3 and 6-0.

Next, Schlacks claimed a victory at third on the ladder for Andover winning 6-3, 6-3. Max Png '10 finished off the match for Andover, defeating his opponent 6-2, 6-0.

At the end of the day, Andover won 4-0 combined.

With this win, Andover improved its record to 6-0 and prepared to face Deerfield on Saturday. Deerfield, however, came out ready and won the top two doubles matches with tricky net play.

"We played our worst doubles of the season, and that really hurt us," said Coach Wilkin.

After the doubles loss, Andover's chances of winning would be determined by the results of the singles matches. Schlacks and Tony Zou '09 both lost their matches, meaning Andover would have to win all of the singles matches to overcome Deerfield.

Meyer uplifted the team by winning his match 6-2, 6-1, and Kontaxis and Adamsson both won their matches, leaving the pressure on Png.

Png lost the first set in a tie breaker, but managed to make a comeback in the second set. Png, however, could not pull away with a win, giving Deerfield the victory.

On Wednesday, Andover faced Exeter for one of the most anticipated matches of the season. For the past six years, Andover has won 10 games and only lost 1 to Exeter.

Meyer and Adamsson both played well in their doubles match, making no errors and dominating 8-0.

Meyer again dominated in his singles winning 6-2, 6-0. Schlacks proved to be the highlight of the day, shutting out his opponent 6-0, 6-0.

Andover defeated Exeter with a final score of 7-0.

K. SONG/ *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Captain Trey Meyer '09 bends low to return a drop shot against Choate.

BOYS TENNIS

Choate's Depth Overpowers Andover's Talented Squad

By Elizabeth Oppong
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Choate	**4**
Andover	**3**

Last Saturday, Andover suffered one of its toughest losses of the year to a strong Choate team. After having already lost to Deerfield and Milton, Andover was disappointed with its narrow loss to Choate.

From the moment Choate stepped foot on Andover's courts, the Boys Tennis team knew it was going to be a challenge. Before facing Andover, Choate had defeated Exeter 7-0.

The first doubles team of Trey Meyer '09 and Mark Adamsson '11 gave Andover their first win of the day, upsetting their opponents 8-4. Choate, however, claimed victories in the next two doubles matches. Hunter Schlacks '11 and Myles O'Neil '12 lost second doubles 8-4, and Tony Zou '09 and Michael Kontaxis '11 lost their doubles match, 8-5.

Meyer brought hope to the team by winning his first singles match in straight sets and continuing his undefeated streak.

After Kontaxis lost his singles match, O'Neil won against his Exeter opponent to tie the game at 3-3.

Zou played the deciding and most exciting match of the game. After losing the first set he came from behind to win in the second, but lost a very dramatic third set 1-6, 6-4, 4-6. In the end, Andover fell to Choate 4-3.

Andover learned a lot from the game against Choate. "The doubles point was crucial for this match and I think we now really appreciate how important the point is after this loss," said Zou.

On Tuesday, Andover hosted Andover High School in a scrimmage. Kontaxis said, "Since this was only an exhibition, I was very relaxed, and as a result, I played rather well."

Meyer also played a great game, defeating his opponent 6-2, 6-1. With victories from Adamsson and Kontaxis, Andover won the game 4-1.

This weekend, the team will play in the NEITA Tournament. At this tournament Andover will have the opportunity to play eight top teams.

Andover will start off the weekend by playing in the quarterfinals on Saturday morning.

"We need the middle of our ladder to return to form, and we need to continue to increase the aggressiveness of our doubles," said Coach Wilkin.

In practice the team has been focusing on volleys, overheads, and mid-court transitional play.

In addition, Andover anticipates an invitation to the New England championships, which will showcase some of the top schools in New England.

Meyer won the individual tournament his lower year, and he hopes that Andover will be just as successful this year. Adamsson said, "We need to fight harder if we want to achieve our goal of winning the championship."

Tennis Falls Short of Championship With 4-3 Loss to Loomis

By Elizabeth Oppong
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

This past weekend Andover's Boys Tennis team faced off against several schools in the NEITA giving Andover a chance avenge earlier losses to Deerfield and Milton.

Andover faced Deerfield first. The newly paired doubles team of Max Png '10 and Tony Zou '09 combined their individual strengths to defeat their opponents 8-3.

Hunter Schlacks '11 and Myles O'Neil '12 fell behind 7-2 early in their doubles match. But they overpowered their opponents and claimed the victory with a finals score of 9-7.

The singles' players closed out the match quickly. Trey Meyer '09 won his match 6-2, 6-1, and Mark Adamsson '11 won 6-4, 6-0. Schlacks lost at third position on the ladder to a very tough opponent, 6-1, 6-3.

O'Neil brought back the fire for the team when he won a dominant match, 6-1, 6-0. Andover finished off Deerfield with a final score of 4-1.

With an undefeated record coming into the tournament, Milton was seeded number one. Learning from the match against Deerfield, Andover knew it had to take the doubles point in order to succeed against Milton.

With a positive and aggressive approach, Schlacks and O'Neil defeated Milton 8-6 in second doubles. At third doubles, Zou and Png won their match 8-2 and secured the much-needed doubles point for Andover.

Michael Kontaxis '11 won his match at number five singles, 7-5, 6-0. Schlacks and Zou both lost difficult matches, leaving it up to Adamsson to reel in the team's win.

Playing through severe leg cramps in his second set, Adamsson used his technique and accurate hitting to pull out the win for Andover.

Coach Wilkin said, "His courageous win against Milton was one of the all-time great performances in Andover tennis." Adamsson's hard work earned

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Mark Adamsson '11 returns an opponent's serve.

Loomis Proves Too Strong

O'Neil '12 Gives Impressive Performace

Continued from B1, Column 3

Andover a win 4-3 and a spot in the finals on Sunday afternoon against Loomis.

In singles, Meyer won his match, but losses at the third and fifth positions meant Andover needed to win two out of three matches to take the championship. It all came down to O'Neil. O'Neil won the first set, but was unable to win his second set for the victory. In the third set, his opponent pulled ahead 5-2, but O'Neil fought back.

In the ninth game the score was deuce, setting up one of the most dramatic points of the match.

O'Neil called a ball out, but his Loomis opponent disagreed. This called for a match point in which O'Neil could not return a forehand.

Andover lost a close championship match, 4-3.

Andover faced Exeter this past Wednesday, and defeated the team 6-1.

Meyer '09 Makes History After Taking First Place At NEPSITT

By Elizabeth Oppong
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	**6**
Exeter	**1**

With a solid win against Exeter, Andover Boys Tennis finished off its season with an impressive record of 10-4.

Hunter Schlacks '11 was the first to finish his match against Exeter with a 6-2, 6-2 win at the number three spot.

Captain Trey Meyer '09 played first singles and took control from the start with a dominating win of 6-1, 6-1. Mark Adamsson '11 followed at second on the ladder, defeating his Exeter opponent 6-2, 6-0.

Myles O'Neil '12 played fifth singles and won his match 6-3, 6-4. At sixth singles, Max Png '10 won 6-2 after his opponent retired in the second set.

Meyer and Adamsson claimed an 8-1 victory at number one doubles, and Schlacks and O'Neil beat their Exeter opponents 8-3.

With these victories Andover defeated Exeter for the second time with a final score of 6-1.

Last Saturday, Meyer traveled to Choate to play in the New England Prep School Invitational Tennis Tournament. He won the tournament two years ago as a Lower and hoped to take the title again this year.

He said, "The atmosphere was very different this year for me than the last time I played the tournament. This year seemed to be more difficult because I was entering the tournament as the number one seed and I felt like I had a target on my back. It is always much easier to be the underdog."

Meyer first defeated a player from the Williams School, 8-0. He then dominated a Brunswick player, pulling away with a 10-2 victory.

Robert Lightbourn of Hotchkiss also fell to Meyer 6-2, 6-4. Lightbourn was a hard-hitting player with a good serve, yet Meyer played some of his most brilliant tennis in this match. His skilled shots, especially his topspin lobs, drew gasps and applause from the crowd.

In the next round, Meyer faced a Tabor player, who was also a Junior Davis Cup player, and easily won 6-0, 6-3.

Despite his blistered hands, "Meyer mixed assertive topspin ground shots with driving backhand slices, always choosing the best shots for the situation," said Coach Wilkin.

Meyer took first place in the tournament, earning himself a place in Andover's history. Before last Saturday, only one player, Tom Reifenheiser '90, had won the NEPSITT tournament twice.

Meyer had a four-year varsity career record of 48-8, and a perfect record this season.

Another standout player this season was newcomer O'Neil. The Junior left a lasting impression on his coaches and teammates for his sportsmanship, especially in the game against Loomis.

Though Andover did not finish off this season with a championship win, they played well and avenged all of their previous losses.

Meyer said, "I am proud of all the guys and hopefully I will be able to return to Andover next year and see my teammates win a championship."

Sport: Girls Tennis

Year: 2009

Captains: Eliza Flynn, Lauren Wilmarth

Coach: Martha Grant

Season Record

Won 11 Lost 1 Tied 0

Second @ Interschols

Letterwinners

Brown, Carolyn
Chew, Emelyn
Feghali, Fay
Flynn, Eliza
Ishizuka, Midori
Kelly, Elizabeth
Rossi, Greta
Sambou, Borkeny
Vladimirova, Stephania
Wilmarth, Lauren
Wilmarth, Victoria

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Tennis Girls Varsity A
2009 Roster

Name	Yr	Hometown
Brown, Carolyn	2009	Concord, MA
Chew, Emelyn	2010	Singapore
Choi, Christine, mngr	2009	Palo Alto, CA
Feghali, Fay	2012	Salem, NH
Flynn, Eliza	2010	South Hamilton, MA
Ishizuka, Midori	2011	Tokyo, JAPAN
Kelly, Elizabeth	2011	Andover, MA
Rossi, Greta	2009	Medicina ,ITALY
Sambou, Borkeny	2012	Chicago, IL
Vladimirova, Stephania	2011	Holland, PA
Wilmarth, Lauren	2009	Andover, MA
Wilmarth, Victoria	2009	Andover, MA

Coach: Martha Grant

Schedule and Record

Record: 11/1/0

DATE/TIME	OPPONENT	H/A	TYPE	SCORE
4/1 @ 3:00 PM	B.B.& N.	H	Game	W 14-1
4/3 @ 4:30 PM	Groton School	H	Game	W 15-0
4/15 @ 3:15 PM	Hotchkiss	A	Game	L 4-11
4/17 @ 4:45 PM	Noble & Greenough School	H	Game	W 14-1
4/18 @ 2:00 PM	Choate Rosemary Hall	A	Game	W 5-2
4/24 @ 5:00 PM	B.B.& N.	A	Game	W 15-0
4/25 @ 12:45 PM	Phillips Exeter Academy	A	Game	W 8-1
5/6 @ 3:15 PM	Milton Academy	A	Game	W 11-4
5/9 @ 1:00 PM	Loomis Chaffee School	H	Game	W 8-1
5/13 @ 3:00 PM	Thayer Academy	A	Game	W 13-2
5/15 @ 3:30 PM	Andover High School	H	Scrimmage	W 5-1
5/20 @ 2:30 PM	Phillips Exeter Academy	H	Game	W 8-1
5/23 @ 9:30 AM	NEPSAC	A	Game	

Groton

4/3/2009

Varsity Girls tennis had another VERY strong showing against a young Groton team on Friday, April 3. Due to the weather, the match was shifted to Groton's indoor facility. The consistent, powerful play by the Andover girls resulted in a 15-0 win.

Singles:
Eliza Flynn '10 vs Ripley Hartmeyer '09 6-2, 6-3
Lauren Wilmarth '09 vs Julia Metzger '11 6-1, 6-2
Fay Feghali '12 vs Ali Norton '12 6-2, 6-2
Elizabeth Kelly '11 vs Whitney Hartmeyer '11 6-4, 6-1
Stacia Vladimirova '11 vs Helena Duffee '10 6-1, 6-1
Borkeny Sambou '12 vs Sage Redman '11 6-0, 6-1

Doubles:
Eliza and Lauren vs Ripley and Julia 8-0
Tori Wilmarth '09 and Greta Rossi '09 vs Ali and Whitney 8-4
Fay and Borkeny vs Helena and Julia Maguire '09 8-1

The following singles exhibition matches were also played:
Tori vs Julia 6-4, 7-5
Greta vs Nina Milbank '10 6-4, 6-2

Our match against Deerfield on Sat April 4 was canceled due to wind and rain.
Our scrimmage against Andover High School on Monday April 6 was also canceled due to rain.

Hotchkiss

4/15/2009

The girls Varsity tennis team traveled to Deerfield to face a very strong Hotchkiss team on Wed, April 15. The play started with doubles, in an attempt to warm up for the singles after the 2 hour van ride. The competition was close, but Hotchkiss won all 3 8-game pro-sets. Singles action was also closely contested with 1,2,3 and 6 singles all splitting sets. End result was PA 4 Hotchkiss 11.

The level of play on all courts was extremely high. All PA players gave it their all to the very last point. We hope we get to face some of them again at the NEPSAC tournament.

Doubles:

1) Eliza Flynn and Lauren Wilmarth vs Alex Kinney and Bea Rosen 6-8

2) Elizabeth Kelly and Stacia Vladimirova vs Pilar Giffenig and Libba King 6-8

3) Fay Feghali and Borkeny Sambou vs Wells Wallace and Nina Walker 2-8

Singles:

1) Eliza vs Alex 6-3, 6-7(2)

2) Lauren vs Bea 6-2, 4-6

3) Fay vs Pilar 6-7(5), 6-3

4) Elizabeth vs Libba 2-6, 3-6

5) Stacia vs Wells 4-6, 5-7

6) Greta Rossi vs Nina 6-4, 3-6

Exhibition Matches:

7) Borkeny vs Angel Chen 3-6

8) Tori Wilmarth vs Tegan Webster 3-8

4) Tori and Greta vs Angel and Tegan 5-8

Next matches are: Nobles @ home on Friday 4/17 at 4:45

At Choate at 2:00 on Saturday 4/18

Noble and Greenough

4/17/2009

Singles:

1) Eliza 6-4, 6-1

2) Lauren 6-1, 7-5

3) Fay 6-2, 6-1

4) Elizabeth 6-3, 6-2

5) Stacia 6-3, 6-3

6) Greta 6-3, 6-1

Doubles

1) Tori and Greta 9-7

2) Emelyn and Stacia 8-3

3) Borkeny and Midori 5-8

Choate
4/18/2009

Fay continued to play offense against her very defensive-minded Choate opponent. Tori and Greta managed to turn the momentum around and win the second set. Midori and Borkeny also demonstrated their determination, contesting each and every point. We did like playing two out of three sets with ad.

Upcoming matches are at BB&N on Friday 5:00 pm and at Exeter on Saturday 12:45.

Singles:
1) Eliza Flynn vs Elizabeth Ottens '10 6-3, 6-2
2) Lauren Wilmarth vs Ericka Robertson '12 6-1, 6-1
3) Fay Feghali vs India Bulkeley '11 6-3, 3-6, 6-3
4) Elizabeth Kelly vs Chloe Smith '12 6-3, 6-1

Doubles:
1) Tori Wilmarth and Greta Rossi vs Mari Taylor Troutman '09 and Chloe Gettinger '09 1-6, 6-3, 1-6
2) Stacia Vladimirova and Emelyn Chew vs Emanne Saleh '10 and Maddy O'Hagan '10 6-0, 6-4
3) Midori Ishizuka and Borkeny Sambou vs Dani Adler '11 and Taylor Visoski '09 3-6, 4-6

BBN
4/24/2009

Despite the injuries to Lauren Wilmarth and Fay Feghali, the PA Girls Varsity Tennis "stepped it up" against BB&N. We were relentless. Final result: PA 15 BB&N 0

Singles:
1)Eliza Flynn v Alexa Hurwitz 6-2, 6-1
2)Elizabeth Kelly v Cecily Lloyd 6-1, 6-2
3)Stacia Vladimirova v Erica Talamo 6-3, 6-2
4)Greta Rossi v Eliza Appleton 6-1, 6-1
5)Emelyn Chew v Rebecca Epstein 6-3, 6-1
6)Borkeny Sambou v Alex Sternlicht 6-1, 6-1

Doubles:
1) Eliza & Greta v Alexa & Cecily 8-2
2) Midori Ishizuka & Emelyn v Eliza & Rachel Sipser 8-5
3) Midori & Elizabeth v Jesse Wem & Meredith Zakon 8-0

Exeter
4/25/2009

The PA girls continued their excellent play against Exeter in very HOT conditions. Despite the absences of co-captain Lauren Wilmarth and Fay Feghali, the big blue dominated Exeter in the 2 out of 3 sets with ad format. Final score PA 8 PEA 1.

Singles

1) Eliza Flynn v Cecilia Hernandez 6-3, 6-3

2) Elizabeth Kelly v Katie Quan 6-0, 7-5

3) Stacia Vladimirova v Christina Poa 3-6, 2-6

4) Greta Rossi v Meagan Hawes 6-3, 6-2

5) Emelyn Chew v Kerry Hensley 6-3, 6-3

6) Borkeny Sambou v Kathleen Larkin 6-1, 6-1

Doubles

1) Eliza & Tori Wilmarth v #2 & #3 6-3, 6-3

2) Emelyn & Greta v #1 & #4 6-1, 3-6 (8-6)

3) Elizabeth & Midori Ishizuka v #5 & #6 6-1, 4-6 (7-3)

We have a nice break in our schedule until May 6 when we travel to Milton.

Milton
5/6/2009

Some excellent tennis was played in the match against Milton Academy on Wed.

Singles:
1) Eliza Flynn v Sophie Panarese 6-2, 6-4
2) Greta Rossi v Lexi Lazares 3-6, 6-4
3) Elizabeth Kelly v Micaela Connors 6-3, 3-6

4) Stacia Vladimirova v Suzanne Gallo 4-6, 6-1

5) Tori Wilmarth v Natasha Bhasin 6-7, 6-3

6) Midori Ishizuka v Emily Roberts 7-5, 6-2

Doubles:

1) Eliza and Lauren Wilmarth v #1 & #2 8-2

2) Tori and Greta v #3 & #4 8-6

3) Carolyn Brown and Elizabeth v S Lavigne and L Capithorne 8-2

Highlights:

Eliza continues to pound that yellow fuzzy thing (except for match point....)

Greta, Elizabeth, Stacia and Tori ALL split (no-ad can really be a pain!)

Midori was tough as nails and stuck to her game plan!

Doubles swept!!!! Way to go big blue.

It's GREAT to have Carolyn back in the lineup - she couldn't stop smiling!

Loomis

5/9/2009

Girls Varsity Tennis continued their winning streak against Loomis Chaffee on Saturday by a score of 8-1. The singles play was impressive as all started out fast - making aggressive shots. Loomis responded with some steady defense, but in the end offense was rewarded.

Singles:

1) Eliza Flynn v Maria Pylypiu 6-0, 5-7 (7-4)

2) Lauren Wilmarth v Alex Theofanidis 6-1, 6-1

3) Greta Rossi v Kailey Williams 6-2, 7-6(5)

4) Stacia Vladimirova v Maggie Coco 7-5, 6-0

5) Emelyn Chew v Taegan Williams 1-2 retired

6) Borkeny Sambou v Melanie Silverman 6-2, 6-1

Doubles:

1) Greta and Tori Wilmarth v #1 & #2 3-8

2) Carolyn Brown and Midori Ishizuka v #5 & #6 9-8 (6)

3) default

Highlights:

Eliza's shots were truly blistering in the first set.

So great to have Lauren back in the lineup - she didn't miss a beat.

Greta showed incredible perseverance to prevail in a hard-fought second set.

Stacia certainly found her rhythm in her second set.
Borkeny's consistency and speed are a big asset. She hasn't lost a set in singles play all season.

Greta and Tori had their work cut out for them against Loomis' top 2 players - excellent points.
Carolyn and Midori outlasted their opponents after opening up an early lead.

This week we travel to Thayer on Wed. Thayer has an excellent record this year - it should be a good match

Girls Tennis Looks to Bring Home New England Title Again

By Katie Hess
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	**14**
BB&N	**1**

Trying to perform a repeat of last year's incredible season, Andover's Girls Varsity Tennis has already begun. Winning with a score of 14-1 against BB&N on their home court, Andover convincingly beat their ISL opponent for its first victory of the year.

Six sets of the nine overall matches were won six games to none.

Although the team's roster had not been definitely set and the team only had one outdoor practice before the meet, it seemed that their drive and focus were all they really needed in order to win.

Co-Captain Lauren Wilmarth '09 remarked, "It is hard to get much better than that, and this bodes well for the rest of the season."

Although they lost four seniors, there are six returners and a very talented pool of newcomers.

The six returning players include Carolyn Brown '09, Emelyn Chew '09, Co-Captain Eliza Flynn '10, Midori Ishizuka '11, Elizabeth Kelly '11, and Stacia Vladimirova '11, as well as Lauren and Victoria Wilmarth '09.

Lauren Wilmarth was Ranked No. 12 last year in the U18 division in New England, proving that she is certainly one of the individuals to beat on this year's team.

Last year, the girls took home first place out of 15 in the NEPSAC tournament at Milton.

This was the first time that Andover had ever taken home the championship title.

It was in this tournament that Flynn placed 3rd in the A singles bracket, even though she did not receive a seed going into competitive play.

In the same tournament, Lauren Wilmarth received first place in the B singles bracket, where she won all four of her matches, and later went on to defeat the number two seed from Milton in her final match.

Although they have some very large shoes to fill with the loss of so many seniors to graduation, the girls are exceptionally confident that they can bring back a champion title again.

With three matches coming up on Friday, Saturday and Monday, and only one day of practice, the team knows it must be very focused in order to keep their momentum going.

The captains are tremendously positive and have a vast amount of faith in this coming season, especially because the girls have so much potential.

Flynn said, "With such an impressively high level of play at such an early point in the season, I am very proud of the way that everyone stepped up."

She continued, "We have not had much time together, but from what I can tell everyone who is playing is excited to play and focused on the long-term goals of the team."

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Elizabeth Kelly '11 uses her forehand to return the ball.

Andover Squad Shows Skill and Depth in Victory Against Groton

By Katie Hess
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	15
Groton	0

Going into what was expected to be one of her tougher singles matches of the season, Co-Captain Eliza Flynn '09 knew the match ahead of her was going to be a competitive one.

She proceeded to dominate her opponent, who was Groton's own captain, in straight sets, 6-2 and 6-3.

The rest of the team followed suit in their matches against Groton this week, defeating their opponents with ease and finishing with a 15-0 win.

Although the weather forced the girls to play on Groton's indoor court, Andover had no problem adjusting.

All of the Andover players won their matches within the first two sets.

The day started when Flynn defeated her opponent in straight sets.

Next, Co-Captain Lauren Wilmarth '09 kept the win streak going for Andover in a successful match, completely shutting down her opponent and winning her two sets, 6-1 and 6-2.

Fay Feghali '12, playing in the third spot that afternoon, completely took her opponent off guard winning both of her sets 6-2.

With poise and agility, Elizabeth Kelly '11 and Stacia Vladimora '11 easily won each of their singles matches as well.

Borkeny Sambou '12 was the last player to compete in the singles portion and exuberated confidence from the first time she walked out on the court.

Without even giving her opponent a chance, she won her two sets with scores of 6-0 and 6-1.

Andover's success in their singles was amazing and as Flynn remarked, "This year's lineup has a great deal of individual talent."

Doubles took place next.

Although everyone on the team is extremely talented individually, the girls have had very little time to get to practice together in their doubles teams.

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B. BRODIE/ *THE PHILLIPIAN*
Eliza Flynn '10 returns a forehand in Andover's 15-0 win.

Freshman Shine in Victory

Doubles Teams Handle Opponents Well

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The doubles portion of the match against Groton opened with the amazing team of Flynn and Victoria Wilmarth '09, who proceeded to wreck their Groton opponents, prevailing 8-0.

Next, Tori Wilmarth '09 and Greta Rossi '09 played doubles together. The two worked extremely hard and came out with a win.

Last in doubles, the fabulous freshman team comprised of Feghali and Sambou played with power and control, dominating the opposing team of Groton seniors with a score of 8-1.

Lastly, singles exhibition matches were held.

Tori Wilmarth '09 played Groton's Julia Maguire '09, and with a score of 6-4 in her first set and 7-5 in the next, Wilmarth handily won the match.

The team's next game is this coming Saturday against the Pingree School.

Although many matches are still ahead, both captains said they are eager to see how the team's play will mature over the course of the season.

Girls Tennis Suffers First Loss of Season

By Katie Hess
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Hotchkiss	**11**
Andover	**4**

The Andover's Girls Varsity Tennis team suffered its first loss of the season on Wednesday, falling victim to a overwhelming Hotchkiss team at Deerfield, 4-11.

As Elizabeth Kelly '11 put it, "it [was] a good wake up call early in the season to get our focus back where it should be."

Andover players considered this lost match to be a particularly big wake up call considering that the team had only lost one match in the past 3 years.

Hotchkiss came out flying, focused, and eager to beat the usually dominant Andover team.

Despite even play throughout the singles matches, Andover fell behind during doubles. Hotchkiss managed to completely overwhelm Andover, which dropped all four of its doubles matchups.

Captain Lauren Wilmarth '09, Greta Rossi '09, and Eliza Flynn '10 all split sets, losing the second set.

Wilmarth's score was 6-2 and 4-6, and Flynn lost the tiebreaker in her second set after defeating her opponent, 6-3, in her opening set.

Flynn's effort was all the most impressive because she had been battling through an injury all week.

Stacia Vladimirova '11 lost her singles match to a tough Hotchkiss opponent. However, she and Fay Feghali '12 played an excellent doubles match.

Although they struggled a bit during the first half of their match and actually ended up losing it, they had an amazing comeback by the match's end.

Even though Carolyn Brown '09, an essential asset to the team, is out for the season due to an injury, she still plays an active role on the team.

She is very eager to see how the girls will come together by the end of the year, and is sure that Andover will give Hotchkiss a run for their money at New England championships at the end of the season.

Andover plays Nobles this Friday and then Choate on Saturday. Both Choate and Nobles have a record of 1-1 so far this season.

Although Andover's dream of being undefeated this season has vanished, its loss this week has given them more incentive to focus and fight together.

A. LEVINE/ *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Stacia Vladimirova '11 reaches low to return a tough shot in Andover's dominating victory over Nobles.

Girls Tennis Trumps Choate in 5-2 Win; Flynn '10 and Wilmarth '09 Win in Straight Sets

By Katie Hess
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	14
Nobles	1

Andover	5
Choate	2

Andover's Girls Varsity tennis managed to come back from a disappointing loss last Wednesday against Hotchkiss with a glorifying win over Choate on Saturday, 5-2.

The team also played a tremendous game against Nobles last Friday, winning 14-1. Seeing as Andover won by such a large margin, its hard work to correct any errors in last week's loss paid off tremendously.

Andover traveled three hours to face a tough Choate team on Saturday. In singles, Co-Captain Eliza Flynn '10 completely dominated over her opponent, winning her match in the first two sets, 6-2 and 6-3.

Next, Fay Feghali '12 went head-to-head against a girl a year older than her. Her opponent played very defensively, but Feghali continued to play aggresively.

Although Feghali was younger, she proved that age does not determine skill and came out on top, winning both her first and last sets, 6-3.

Co-Captain Lauren Wilmarth '09 went into her match focused and prepared, winning her match within the first two sets, 6-1.

Elizabeth Kelly '11 finished the singles portion and won in straight sets, 6-3 and 6-1.

Andover faced a couple of challenges during the doubles portion.

Tori Wilmarth '09 and Greta Rossi '09 lost the first set in their match, but they managed to turn the match around in the second set, 6-3. In the third match, however, Andover suffered another defeat.

Stacia Vladimirova '11 and Emelyn Chew '10 each have great individual skill, and when put together, they cbecome an unstoppable doubles team. They easily won their match within the first two sets, 6-0 and 6-4.

The only other loss came in a double match for Midori Ishizuka '11 and Borkeny Sambou '12. Although the two fought hard, , Choate managed to pull together and trump Andover, 3-6 and 4-6.

Overall, however, Andover's skill and knowledge of the game overwhelmed a younger Choate squad and gave Andover the 5-2 win.

Co-Captain Wilmarth said, "Choate was one of the more competitive matches that we have played this far, and I am glad that we pulled away with a win."

Andover's record is now 4-1, and Wilmarth is confident that the team will continue to improve. This Friday, Andover will continue on in their search for a successful season, traveling to BB&N face the Gold Knights. They will also travel to Exeter on Saturday to face the Big Red in hopes of as win.

Andover Finishes One Game Short From Sweeping Rival Exeter

By Katie Hess
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	15
BB&N	0

Andover	8
Exeter	1

Over the past weekend, Andover's Girls Varsity Tennis team took to the road to face off against BB&N and Phillips Exeter. Making its travels worthwhile, Andover came out on top, earning two glorious wins by beating BB&N's Gold Knights with an incredible score of 15-0 and Exeter's Big Red with a score of 8-1.

Last Friday, Andover traveled to BB&N and completely swept the match with a score of 15-0. The girls really stepped up their game and played relentlessly, despite the injuries of Co-Captain Lauren Wilmarth '09 and Fay Feghali '12.

Co-Captain Eliza Flynn '10 started the meet off with a bang by dominating her BB&N counterpart and beating her in the first two sets with scores of 6-2 and 6-1. In the second position, Elizabeth Kelly '11 played an amazing game. She closed her match within the first two sets, 6-1 and 6-2.

Stacia Vladimirova '11 played next on the ladder and also dominated her opponent in straight sets with scores of 6-3 and 6-2. Continuing down the ladder with Greta Rossi '09, Emelyn Chew '10 and Borkeny Sambou '11, they continued Andover's winning streak by beating their opponents in straight sets.

To start the doubles portion of the meet, Flynn and Rossi overwhelmed their opponents and won their match with a score of 8-2. Next, Midori Ishizuka '11 and Chew played together, winning their match with a score of 8-5. In the third position were Ishizuka and Kelly who shut out their opponents 8-0.

On Saturday, Andover traveled to old-time rival Phillips Exeter's campus. Despite the hot weather and the absence of Wilmarth and Feghali, Andover persevered to come out on top with a total match score of 8-1.

When the singles portion of the match began, Flynn immediately opened up the gates for success, winning her match within the first two sets, 6-3 each time.

Next, Kelly continued the winning streak by handily beating her opponent. In the third spot on the ladder, Vladimirova turned in the only loss of the day for Andover, losing in straight sets. Despite the loss, Rossi won her match in straight sets with scores of 6-3 and 6-2 in the fourth position on the ladder.

Lastly, Chew and Sambou closed out the match against Exeter, both in two sets and both with wins came with ease.

In doubles, the girls continued to crush Exeter by winning all of their matches.

The girls have a nice break in their schedule until May 6th, when they travel to Milton.

Andover Tennis Continues to Rack Up Dominating Wins

By Katie Hess
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	8
Loomis	1

Andover	12
Thayer	3

Co-Captain Lauren Wilmarth '09 returned from an injury and dominated her opponent in two straight sets last Saturday to lead the Girls Tennis team in their win over Loomis Chaffe.

Co-Captain Eliza Flynn '10 also displayed her spectacular singles play, and Andover won the match easily, 8-1.

Flynn opened the singles in the first spot, outmaneuvering her opponent with fast shots, accurate placement and fluid movement.

Flynn won her first and third set, and barely missed the second by a mere two points.

Wilmarth, who had been out of the singles lineup for the past three matches, was finally able to return last Saturday. Wilmarth returned to the second spot and won her match within the first two sets, each 6-1.

Greta Rossi '09 competed after Wilmarth, playing her match into a tiebreaker before pulling out a victory.

In doubles, Rossi and Tori Wilmarth '09 opened against Loomis's top two players.

The two girls had their work cut out for them, and despite their intense focus and playing, they lost their match, 3-8.

In the fourth spot was Stacia Vladimirova '11, who also won her match.

Although her opponent put up a good fight in the first set, Vladimirova found her rhythm in the second, and completely dominated the match, 6-0.

Next on the court was the dynamic team of Carolyn Brown '09 and Midori Ishizuka '11.

With an early lead, they barely outlasted their opponents, prevailing, 9-8.

On Wednesday the girls traveled to Thayer.

Although the team was anticipated to be a bigger challenge, Andover easily shut them down, coming out on top, 12-3.

On Friday, Andover looks to beat Andover High School to continue its momentum and winning streak.

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Borkeny Sambou '12 prepares to smack a return.

Co-Captain Flynn '10 Continues Undefeated Streak with Victory

By Katie Hess
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	**8**
Exeter	**1**

Andover's Girls Varsity Tennis team went head to head against arch rival Exeter on Wednesday. The team's 8-1 win was flawless with the exception of a close three-set singles loss.

Highlights of the match included Co-Captain Eliza Flynn '10 win in a quick and easy two sets, 6-0, 6-0, which kept her undefeated season at number one singles alive.

Fellow Co-Captain Lauren Wilmarth '09 finished her match early as well, winning 6-0, 6-3.

With the win, Andover improved to 10-1 as the team prepares to enter the NEPSAC tournament this Saturday.

"All in all, I think [it] was a great way to finish our last match," said Co-Captain Wilmarth. "We finished strong, and I feel like we are now ready for Interschols this Saturday. I am confident and am looking forward to seeing what our team will be able to accomplish."

After two grueling hours of play, Greta Rossi '09 also won her match at number three singles. She stayed determined and physically strong throughout her entire match, even into the third set, where she finally took hold of the victory.

In number four singles was Elizabeth Kelly '11, who successfully had a strong hold over Exeter's team captain for two sets. Despite a 12-game first set, Andover came out with a win, 7-5 and 6-1.

In the fifth singles position for Andover was Stacia Vladimirova '11. By the end of her second set, she had won her match with a score of 6-1 in both sets.

Lauren Wilmarth '09 and Fay Feghali '12 teamed up to put on a doubles clinic at position one, creating a force that their opponents could not withstand. The two completely swept every game of the first two sets, 6-0, 6-0.

In position two on doubles, Carolyn Brown '09 and Emelyn Chew '10 came together in the one of the longest matches of the day. After losing the first set, 6-7, they came back decided and strong in the next two sets, winning the match with scores of 6-3 and 7-5.

Borkeny Sambou '12 and Midori Ishizuka '11 also prevailed 6-2, 7-6 at third doubles.

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Stacia Vladimirova '11 prepares to backhand the ball.

Girls Tennis Finishes Second in NEPSAC

By Katie Hess
PHILLIPIAN **SPORTS WRITER**

Co-Captain Eliza Flynn '10 pounded the ball over the net with just enough force to steadily beat all of her opponents and land her a spot in the NEPSAC tournament finals this past Saturday. Through her hard work and skill Flynn earned herself second place in the tournament. Her victory and many other strong wins contributed to Andover's second place finish overall.

Co-Captains Lauren Wilmarth '09 and Flynn played in the singles matches for Andover on Saturday.

Flynn played in the A bracket, winning her first three matches against Choate, Groton and Loomis. With these victories, she secured a spot in the final match against a Pingree opponent who was ranked number one in the under-18 league in New England. Flynn came out playing aggressively but was defeated in the first set, 4-6. In the second set, Flynn's opponent steadily deflected all of her well-placed shots, landing her the first place title of NEPSAC A singles.

Playing in the B singles bracket, Wilmarth claimed victories in her first two matches. In the first, she faced an Exeter opponent and shut her out with a final score of 8-0. Wilmarth then faced an opponent from Williston-Northampton and won 10-3, securing her a spot in the finals against a player from Pingree. Wilmarth finished strong in second place, contributing to Andover's second place finish overall at NEPSACs.

Playing in doubles A in the tournament, Greta Rossi '09 and Fay Feghali '12 fell to a strong Thayer pair 6-8 in the first round but came back to win three matches against Marvelwood, Milton and Loomis. Finishing in fifth place, the pair added three points to Andover's total score.

Elizabeth Kelly '11 and Stacia Vladimirova '11 played in the doubles B bracket for Andover. A combination of team chemistry and unstoppable shots led them to prevail over St. Paul's and Pingree in the first two matches. An outstanding 10-2 victory over Thayer overshadowed their loss against a formidable Hotchkiss pair, and together they added five points to Andover's team total.

Midori Ishizuka '11, a team member who did not play, said, "It was very exhilarating because everyone's teammates were constantly yelling and all coaches were extremely intense."

With impressive performances from every player Andover finished in second place behind Hotchkiss. The team finished its season with a record of 11-1, losing only once to Hotchkiss earlier in the term.

Sport: Boys Track

Year: 2009

Captain: Chase Potter

Coach: Corbin Lang

Assistant Coaches: Lani Silversides, Rich Gorham, Jose Powell, Jon Stableford, Yasmine Allen, Pat Farrell, Peter Neissa, David Callum, Vuyelwa Maqubela

Season Record

Won 6 Lost 0 Tied 0

Second @ Interschols

Letterwinners

Adams, Malin
Appleby, Matthew
Babatunde, Olamide
Barry, David
Bastable, Conrad
Bernard, Denzil
Bernieri, Michael
Bingaman, Alexander
Bond, Tyler
Chang, Dominick
Cope, Alexander
DiGiulian, John
Flemming, Khalil
Furlong, Ryan
Ganner, Charles
Gordon, Stefan
Hamilton, James
Hanafin, Gregory
Hetzler, Peter
Hofer, Philip
Howe, Elias
Knapp, David
Louis, Teddy
Ly, Peter
Ma, Michael
Mason Rodriguez, Malcolm
Muran, William
Narayan, Ram
Potter, Chase
Sandhu, Michaeljit
Vardaro, Robert
Wilkin, William
Wolber, Patrick
Wright, Brandon
Zhang, Edward

Phillips Academy
Boys Track
Roster 2009

Name	Yr	Hometown
Adams, Malin	2009	Concord, MA
Adeyemi, Hamed	2011	Bronx, NY
Appleby, Matthew	2011	Needham, MA
Babatunde, Olamide	2009	Portsmouth, NH
Bailey, Jordan	2011	Las Vegas, NV
Barry, David	2010	Andover, MA
Bastable, Conrad	2009	Andover, MA
Batchelder, Christopher	2011	Manchester, MA
Bernard, Denzil	2011	Mt. Vernon, NY
Bernieri, Michael	2010	Andover, MA
Bingaman, Alexander	2010	Bedford, NY
Block, Maxwell	2012	Norwich, VT
Bond, Tyler	2010	Andover, MA
Boyd, Zachary	2010	Ft. Bragg, NC
Budney, Charles	2012	Little Rock, AR
Casey, Brendan	2009	North Andover, MA
Chang, Dominick	2011	Laughlands, St. Ann
Choi, Derrick	2012	Mid-Level, HONG KONG
Cope, Alexander	2009	Andover, MA
Davidson, Alexander	2012	Andover, MA
DeLeon, Jonathan	2012	Lawrence, MA
DiGiulian, John	2010	Alexandria, VA
Fallon, Connor	2011	Salem, NH
Flemming, Khalil	2012	Lynn, MA
Furlong, Ryan	2009	Andover, MA
Ganner, Charles	2010	The Woodlands, TX
Gordon, Stefan	2009	Saint Catherine, JAM
Grubbs, Blake	2012	Salem, NH
Grunbeck, John	2009	Amherst, NH
Hamilton, James	2012	Andover, MA
Hanafin, Gregory	2010	Andover, MA
Hetzler, Peter	2010	Rumson, NJ
Hofer, Philip	2010	Princeton, NJ
Howe, Elias	2009	Hillsborough, NH
Johnson, Nathan	2011	Andover, MA

Kim, Sun	2009	Princeton, NJ
Knapp, David	2010	Salem, MA
Kubacki, Robert	2009	Sammamish, WA
Li, Randy	2010	Canton, MI
Louis, Teddy	2009	Roselle, NJ
Ly, Peter	2009	Lawrence, MA
Ma, Michael	2010	North Andover, MA
Martino, James	2009	Laconia, NH
Mason Rodriguez, Malcolm	2011	New York, NY
Matshoba, Mhlabelo	2010	5241 East London,
McHale, Alexander	2009	Vienna, VA
Muran, William	2010	Upper Brookville, NY
Narayan, Ram	2010	Rye, NY
Olusola, Kellon	2011	Owensboro, KY
Potter, Chase	2009	Toronto, ONT
Qiu, Bowen	2009	Andover, MA
Queenan, Max	2011	Weston, MA
Sandhu, Michaeljit	2009	Plymouth, MA
Schultz, Daniel	2012	New Delhi, INDIA
Segal, Eli	2012	Amesbury, MA
Singh, Uday	2012	Dubai,UA Emirates
Turiano, John	2010	Andover, MA
Torabi, Bijan	2010	North Andover, MA
Vardaro, Robert	2010	North Reading, MA
Walkovik, John	2009	New York, NY
Wang, Michael	2011	Reading, MA
Watanabe, Yuto	2011	Tokyo, JAPAN
Wilkin, William	2009	Andover, MA
Wolber, Patrick	2011	Nashua, NH
Wong, Arnold	2010	Kowloon,HONG KONG
Wright, Brandon	2011	North Andover, MA
Yang-Sammataro, Kell	2012	Andover, MA
Zhang, Edward	2009	Holland, OH

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Schedule and Record

Record: 6/0/0

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4/18 @ 2:30 PM	Exeter/St. Paul's/Milton	A	Game	W A 75; E 62; SP 30; M 17
4/25 @ 2:00 PM	NMH/Milton/Lawrence	H	Game	W A 124; NMH 91; M 43; LA 4
5/2 @ 4:00 PM	NMH/Loomis	A	Game	W PA 72.5;Loomis 64.5;NMH 44
5/6 @ 3:30 PM	Cushing Academy	H	Game	W 111-33
5/16 @ 10:00 AM	Interschols	H	Game	2nd place
5/23 @ 2:00 PM	Phillips Exeter Academy	A	Game	W 74-71

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Captain: Anne McDonough

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Auguste-Nelson, Rekha
Cheng, Natalie
Coppinger, Catherine
Dewdney, Berol
Ekpa, Aniebiet
Farrow, Sadiqa
Ferrari, Melissa
Flanagan, Colleen
Fumudoh, Ziwerekoru
Hatton, Cayla
Idah, Oriekose
Kingston, Caitlin
Krishnamachar, Ambika
McCafferty, Meghan
McDonough, Anne
McKenzie, Tafarii
Moroney, Stephanie
Ngwudo, Chioma
Norton, Georgina
O'Sullivan, Caroline
Shenk, Jamie
Shimer, Sophia
Sichko, Stassja
Siemer, Jessica
Smith, Sarah
Stovall, Jasmine
Walker, Alexis
Zimmerling, Aubrey

Phillips Academy
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Abell, Octavia	2010	Providence, RI
Adams, Shannon	2012	Reisterstown, MD
Amurawaiye, Kemi	2011	Whitby, Ontario
Anelone, Minymoh	2012	Issaquah, WA
Auguste-Nelson, Rekha	2009	New York, NY
Bhaiwala, Zahra	2010	Andover, MA
Bidwell, Lucy	2009	Santa Barbara, CA
Blake, Jessica	2010	Summit, NJ
Brandano, Juliana	2012	North Reading, MA
Burgess, Anna	2009	Boston, MA
Cachia, Julie	2011	Tokyo, JAPAN
Campbell, Eliza	2009	Andover, MA
Cheng, Natalie	2010	Lisle, IL
Coppinger, Catherine	2009	Billerica, MA
Dewdney, Berol	2009	Putney, VT
Ekpa, Aniebiet	2011	Houston, TX
Ellinger, Katherine	2012	Wellesley, MA
Farrow, Sadiqa	2009	Washington, DC
Ferrari, Melissa	2010	Winchester, VA
Flanagan, Colleen	2010	Boxborough, MA
Fourteau, Sophie	2010	North Guilford, CT
Fumudoh, Ziwerekoru	2010	Lawrence, MA
Glick, Whitney	2011	Superior, CO
Hall, Hannah	2010	Scottsdale, AZ
Hatton, Cayla	2012	Farmington, CT
Idah, Oriekose	2011	Rolling Hills Estates, CA
Jabouin, Sheya	2011	Rosedale, NY
James, Leigh	2011	Perry, GA
Kingston, Caitlin	2011	Winchester, MA
Krishnamachar, Ambika	2011	Darien, CT

McCafferty, Meghan	2010	Tyngsboro, MA
McDonough, Anne	2009	New Canaan, CT
McKenzie, Tafarii	2012	New York, NY
McLean, Katherine	2012	Chicago, IL
McMurtrie, Audrey	2011	Midlothian, VA
Morales-Jobse, Erica	2011	Scituate, MA
Moroney, Stephanie	2009	Manchester, MA
Morss, Peyton	2010	Wayland, MA
Ngwudo, Chioma	2011	Baldwin, NY
Norton, Georgina	2009	North Reading, MA
Okai, Nicole	2010	Corona, NY
O'Sullivan, Caroline	2010	Andover, MA
Rosario, Kayla	2011	Lawrence, MA
Samson, Mary	2012	Nahant, MA
Shenk, Jamie	2012	San Francisco, CA
Shimer, Sophia	2009	Andover, MA
Sichko, Stassja	2010	Boston, MA
Siemer, Jessica	2010	Sparta, NJ
Smith, Sarah	2009	Niwot, CO
Stovall, Jasmine	2010	Bronx, NY
Walker, Alexis	2012	Oklahoma City, OK
Wallace, Jacqueline	2010	Prides Crossing, MA
Wessels, Julianna	2012	Reading, MA
Wu, Peiyu	2010	Beijing,PRC
Zimmerling, Aubrey	2009	Lakewood, CO

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5/6 @ 3:30 PM	Cushing Academy	H	Game	W 141-4
5/16 @ 10:00 AM	Interschols	H	Game	W 1st place
5/23 @ 2:00 PM	Phillips Exeter Academy	A	Game	W 94.5-50.5

Strong Nucleus of Seniors to Lead Large Group of Underclassmen

By Katherine Ellinger
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

With a strong core of returning runners and a few new runners with extremely high potential, Andover's track team has a promising season ahead.

Captain Chase Potter '09 said, "We have a very strong returning core of runners, who we will look to in order to lead us through the long season. This year's team will rely mostly on strong underclassmen with a stable nucleus of seniors leading the way."

Many of the team's athletes have been with the team for several years and have proven themselves strong leaders.

However, a large part of the team is new. The track team is bigger than ever, and this size provides a vital depth not seen in recent years to the team. To uncover new talent, Coach Corbin Lang has all of the athletes that haven't competed on the team participate in a decathlon.

This decathlon introduces new athletes to many different events, such as pole vaulting, javelin, triple jump, hurdles, and many others.

Along with a fantastic coaching staff, which include coaches such as Coach Lou Bernieri, Coach Dave Callum, and of course, Head Coach Corbin Lang, the student leaders are also important.

Mide Babatunde '09 and Potter, as well as returning uppers Charlie Diguilian '10 and Ram Narayan '10 will be leading the sprinters. Leading the ever-dominant distance team will be Eli Howe '09 and Charlie Ganner '10.

For field events, Andover will look to veteran throwers Tyler Bond '10 and Mike Bernieri '10, as well as to returning vaulters Charlie Dong '09 and Malin Adams '09.

Looking to build upon his success from indoor track, newcomer Bobby Vardaro '10 is excited to be one of the best throwers in New England.

The team is also expecting big things from indoor star Peter Hetzler '10. Hetzler will be an important runner in the 400, and a member of the 4-by-400 Relay Team. Potter is also expected to do extremely well considering his strong finish against Exeter during the winter.

The team understands that success must be earned, and Potter said, "We need to keep the end of the season goal in mind and not get down on ourselves if we have trouble early on."

The team's first meet is this Saturday against Reading High School, where they will kick off their season on their home track.

B. BRODIE/ *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Malcolm Mason-Rodriguez '11 practices long jump.

Scrimmage Against AHS Provides A Promising Start To Season

By Katherine Ellinger
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

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While the Andover Track Team's first meet of the spring season was just a scrimmage against Andover High School, it was a productive way to start their season in a low-pressure atmosphere.

"I definitely see more benefits than disadvantages to running the first meet as a scrimmage," said Captain Annie McDonough '09.

Andover High School is not in the same league as PA, so the meet did not count towards the team's official record.

This opened many opportunities for runners to try new events and take risks they might not have made if it were a league meet.

"We can run people up in events, for example 100 meter and 200 meter people running the 400, and focus it more as a competitive speed workout," said Captain Chase Potter '09.

"The only real difficulty comes in the fact that it is so early that we haven't had much time to do any training."

"Despite the rain and wind, there were some really great performances." said McDonough.

Berol Dewdney '09 won the 800 meter race, and Catherine Coppinger '09 beat out her competitor in a close race right to the finish line. Malcom Mazon-Rodriguez '11 also began his season with a bang, long jumping 22-feet 3-inches, a full foot farther than last year's winner at the interscholastic championship competitions.

Cayla Hatton '12, who had a tremendously successful winter track season, ran the 3000 meter race and won with a time of 10 minutes 34 seconds.

Newcomers also had strong starts to their running careers at Andover. Shannon Adams '12 stood out in the 400 meter run, placing fourth in a time of 65 seconds.

These times are all the more impressive considering the heavy rain and wind during the meet.

"On the first straightaway the wind was really difficult, since it was right in your face, and it felt like you weren't moving," said Adams.

"But once you got past that the wind was at your back and pushed you to the finish line," she continued.

"The weather played a huge factor in the times that we saw," said Potter. "The wind was fierce coming down the back stretch."

Overcoming the weather and dusting off the cobwebs from last year, both captains and coaches were satisfied with Andover's unofficial meet this season.

Y. WATANABE/ *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Pete Hetzler '10 sprints the last leg of the 400 meter race.

First Win Over Deerfield

Andover Dominates With Strong Times

By Katherine Ellinger
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover Track started the competitive season with a critical success. Athletes of all events beat their Deerfield and Taft competitors for a definitive victory.

Captain Chase Potter '09 said, "They are middle of the pack teams and in the past we have had some close meets with them, but I know we have won that meet for boys and girls at least the last four years."

Andover's pole vaulters proved strong in their first meet. Malin Adams '09 won in his event, and Peter Ly '09 came in second to gain Andover some of its first points of the meet.

Charlie Ganner '10, who has proven himself a fast distance runner in previous seasons, showed he was ready for another season, winning both the 1500 and 3000 meter races. Potter said, "Charlie had an amazing meet, winning both in very fast times."

Catherine Coppinger '09 also had a stand-out performance, winning the 400 and anchoring both the 4 by 100 and 4 by 400 relays, both of which beat the competition by several seconds. Stassja Sichko '10 shone in the middle distances by winning the 800.

Newcomer Alexis Walker '12 performed well, winning the 100 in 13.2 seconds and the 200 in 27.9 seconds, both of which are extremely impressive times, especially for a freshman.

"This is my first time being on a track team," said Walker.

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Coaches Look to Improve Times Over Season With Training Plan

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"But I always loved running, so I thought I'd be good at it, and I guess I was. I didn't think I'd do this well, though."

This sort of definitive victory is especially rare so early in the season, with so many people new to the team.

"Despite the fact that we'd only trained for two weeks and lost two practices due to weather, our team looked amazing," said Captain Annie McDonough '09. "Many of our athletes are already showing improvement."

Potter said, "We are still focusing more on strength, as we hope to peak later in the season."

This has been Coach Corbin Lang's training plan for many years. "If your fastest time is in your first race," he often says, "we've done something wrong. We want to work on building up the strength of the runners first, in the hopes that they are able to come through with that extra push to improve their times."

Andover's track athletes plan to only improve, and hope for a similarly impressive win in their meet against Phillips Exeter this weekend.

Ganner '10 Shines in Comeback in 3000

By Katherine Ellinger
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

With a final sprint for the finish, Charlie Ganner '10 passed the runner who had led the race from the start to gain the lead in the final lap of the 3000. Ganner's final sprint earned him a first place finish in an exciting ending to the Andover-Exeter track meet last weekend.

Going into the meet, Andover knew that it would be a tough matchup, a matchup that in years past has not seen the Andover team come out on top.

"Exeter was definitely a notch above the competition that we have seen this season, so we really stepped it up as a team." Said Captain Annie McDonough '09.

St. Paul's and Milton also came to the meet. "Although Milton and St. Paul's typically have a few great runners, they don't field the same kind of depth as a bigger school, like us or Exeter." Said McDonough.

Alexis Walker '12 continued to show the speed she demonstrated throughout the season, winning the 100 meters in 12.9 seconds, followed closely by Aniebiet Ekpa '11. Epka then avenged her close loss in 100 by winning the 200 by a large amount, pulling in a time of 26.5.

In the 4x100 Relay, the team of Epka, Walker, Colleen Flanagan '10 and Caroline O'Sullivan '10 won with impressive runs by all four legs.

Bobby Vardaro '10 won the boys' shot put, throwing 49-05, and Meghan McCafferty '10 won the girls' with a 38-02 throw.

Orie Idah '11 came in second in both the long jump and the triple jump, jumping 16 feet and 32 feet 11 inches, respectively.

Berol Dewdney '09, Stephanie Moroney '09, and Caitlin Kingston '11 showed their teamwork in both the 1500 and 3000 races.

The three runners paced off one another the entire race in 1500. They finished the 1500 fourth, fifth, and sixth, with times of 5:03.3, 5:03.6, and 5:04.0, respectively.

When running the 3000, these girls employed the same strategy. Moroney finished first in 10:48.1, followed by Dewdney in third at 10:53.9 and Kingston fourth at 10:56.6.

Charlie Ganner '10 and Patrick Wolber '11 both ran the 1500 for a 1-2 finish. Ganner won with a time of 4:09.0, closely followed by Wolber in 4:11.7.

Ganner then ran again to win the 3000, with a dramatic sprint for the finish. He fought with three other boys for the lead for all 7.5 laps, saving his energy for the home stretch. In the final 200 meters, he let loose to win by several seconds in 9:14.4.

Talent and Depth Lead Team to Victory

By Katie Ellinger
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Despite the bright sun and boiling temperatures, Andover Track persevered and outpaced NMH, Lawrence Academy and Milton last Saturday. Both the boys' and girls' teams won by a wide margin, scoring a combined 124 points.

Both the boys' and girls' 4x100 relays did well. The boys team, made up of David Knapp '10, Peter Hetzler '10, Co-Captain Chase Potter '09 and Phil Hofer '10, won with a time of 3:34.8.

Hetzler also ran in the 300 hurdles and in the 400, finishing in third place and first place, respectively. Hetzler finished the 400, a race that he has dominated all season, with a time of 52.08.

The girls 4x100 teams placed second and third. Tafarii McKenzie '12, Colleen Flanagan '10, Ambika Krishnamachar '11 and Stassja Sichko '10 ran the race in 4:22.4, and Ziwe Fumudoh '10, Aniebiet Epka '11, Flanagan and Caroline O'Sullivan '10 finished in 4:53.54.

Epka led the team this week. She not only participated in the relay, but also earned a significant amount of points for Andover in the 100 and 200, finishing second in both with times of 13.04 and 26.07.

The distance team showed strength as well. The three boys running the 3000 came in first, second and third: Patrick Wolber '11 in 9:58.94, Michaeljit Sandhu '09 in 10:22.60, and Matt Appleby '11 in 10:42.01, respectively.

The girls on the distance team dominated the 1500, winning the first four places. Cayla Hatton '12 continued her success from the winter term with a win in a time of 5:06.88. Stephanie Moroney '09 finished second in 5:11.53, closely followed by Caitlin Kingston '11 in 5:12.40, and Berol Dewdney '09 in 5:16.93.

The triple jump girls won similarly, the four jumpers, Orie Idah '11, Co-Captian Annie McDonough '09, Natalie Cheng '10, and Kemi Amurawaiye '11 finished in the first four places, respectively.

The javelin throwers also did very well – Alexander Bingman '10 won with a throw of 156-00, and Tyler Bond '10 came in second at 147-05.

However, one of the most impressive performances of the meet came from a female javelin thrower. Jamie Shenk '12 won the event by a considerable margin while also breaking the Junior record with a throw of 103-00. She was followed by Sadiqa Farrow '09 at 91-08 and Kayla Rosario '11 with a distance of 74-05 in second and third place.

Shenk said, "I'd barely heard of the javelin throw before the summer Olympics, but when I came here and started track, I made a random decision to try it."

Shenk threw over 10 feet farther than at her last meet, and 30 feet farther than at her first meet.

"The first time I threw, Coach Bernieri told me to stay with it, that I had a lot of potential, so I kept throwing, and now I'm doing better than I could have imagined," she said.

J. LEUNG (LEFT) AND Y. WATANABE (RIGHT)/ *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Captain Annie McDonough '09 (left) and Meghan McCafferty '10 (right) compete during the NEPSTA Championships.

Track Caps Off Season With First and Second Place Finishes at NEPSTA Championships

By Katherine Ellinger
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Amidst a huge crowd on a beautiful May Saturday, Andover's track team emerged first for girls and second for boys at the New England Prep School Track Association Division 1 Track and Field Championships, despite facing its fiercest competition yet. The impressive finishes at Interschols continued the girls' undefeated season for the girls, while ending the boys' streak.

For the second year in a row, Andover hosted Interschols, allowing the team to run on its home track.

"I've had this date circled on my calendar since November 12, the first day of indoor track," said Coach Corbin Lang. "Interschols is all about the team, our team."

This in no way made the successes easy, though. Coach Dave Callum scored the meet based on seed times for each athlete, and came up with the Hotchkiss's girls' team winning by eight points before the meeting, but in the end Andover won by almost 30.

Andover knew going into the meet that Hotchkiss was its biggest competition for the championship.

Captain Annie McDonough '09 said, "We all knew it was going to be a very tight meet between us and Hotchkiss, and everyone on the team gave their absolute best for the win."

Although both the boys' and girls' team were very successful, neither had many people win their individual events. The entire team contributed to the outcome.

"We didn't have one star like Hotchkiss had," said McDonough. "Instead, it was completely a team effort, and our athletes placed in 16 out of 17 events.

Andover only had one individual champion for the girls' team, Catherine Coppinger '09 in the 400. Another strong performance for the girls' team came from Cayla Hatton '12. She ran in the 800 and 1500, but in both she raced down to the finish line and lost by less than half of a second to Exeter Lower Katrina Cougan, who scored almost half of the points for her team.

For the boys team, Malin Adams '09 scored several points for the boys' team by winning the pole vault. Adams' victory was so impressive because there were two vaulters seeded ahead of him from Loomis Chaffee. He went into the meet as a huge underdog but came out on top.

Malcolm Mason-Rodriguez '11 also performed well for Andover. The newest member to the track team easily won the long jump and triple jump by considerable margins.

Peter Hetzler '10 won the 400, an event that he has dominated in all season.

With such great a great performance, Andover's track team will hopefully be able to complete their tremendous accomplishments with a win over Exeter at the annual Andover-Exeter track meet this Saturday.

Andover Track Finishes Strong Season with Victories over Exeter

By Katherine Ellinger
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover Track's final meet against Exeter was, as Captain Annie McDonough '09 said, "the best way for the seniors to end their track careers at Andover."

The girls won by 40 points, a decisive and satisfying victory, but the boys only won by three points, keeping fans biting their nails until the end.

The meet began with the throwing events, followed by the 4x100 relay and ended with the 4x400 relay.

Andover's girls took the first three places in every throwing and jumping event, a very rare occurrence even for such a dominant team.

"Exeter had a few formidable competitors, such as Interschols champion Katrina Cougan in the 1500 and 800. Still, we won most events with our depth," said McDonough.

"I know that we took the top five places in the 100 hurdles, even though they only scored the top three. We also saw a number of PR's and season bests on Saturday."

Orie Idah '11 jumped over 35 feet, an impressive distance for the girls' triple jump, and Malcolm Mason-Rodriguez '11 jumped over 46 feet, almost breaking the school record.

The girls' 4x100 team barely edged out Exeter as Alexis Walker '12 and Aniebiet Epka '11 continued their 100/200 domination. Berol Dewdney '09 won the 3000, and Catherine Coppinger '09 took first in the 400, finishing an undefeated season in that event.

McDonough said, "The Exeter meet was an amazing triple win – girls varsity, boys varsity and JV. It was, as the coaches say every year, a Saturday where we see 'heroic' performances and also have a lot of fun."

On Saturday the team became the most cohesive it has been all season, as every athlete put forth his or her best effort for one final throw, jump, or run, and cheered on every other athlete.

The excited feeling behind the meet was most evident in the final two events, which had not been run at any other meet – the distance team 4x400 relay, and the throwers' 4x100.

The distance runners gave sprinting a try for a final lap around the track, as the entire team stood at the finish line to cheer them on.

The throwers formed a team to each sprint a quarter of the lap. It was a close race between throwers from Andover and Exeter, but Andover managed to claim the victory.

"This was a great finish to a great season," said McDonough.

Sport: Ultimate

Year: 2009

Captain: Eli Grober

Coach: Scott Hoenig

Assistant Coach: Andrew Housiaux

Season Record

Won 15 Lost 2 Tied 0

Reached NE Finals

Letterwinners

Armstrong, Thomas
Aronov, Daniel
Bach-Lombardo, Jordan
Chernyk, Julian
Choi, Alex
Christopherson, Lucas
Crystal, Duncan
Feng, Josh
Grober, Eli capt.
Gully, Dylan
Liotta, Joe
Russell, David
Saigal, Arun
Shaw, Turner
Stevens, Robert
Weiss, Alec
Wong, Brandon
Yoon, Eric

PHILLIPS ACADEMY
Ultimate Varsity
2009 Roster

Name	Yr	Hometown
Armstrong, Thomas	2011	Needham, MA
Aronov, Daniel	2011	Andover, MA
Bach-Lombardo, Jordan	2009	Thetford, VT
Chernyk, Julian	2010	New York, NY
Choi, Alex	2009	Boston, MA
Christopherson, Lucas	2012	Andover, MA
Crystal, Duncan	2010	Melrose, MA
Feng, Josh	2010	North Reading, MA
Grober, Eli capt.	2009	Andover, MA
Gully, Dylan	2012	Andover, MA
Liotta, Joe	2010	Andover, MA
Russell, David	2012	Andover, MA
Saigal, Arun	2009	Burlington, MA
Shaw, Turner	2011	Andover, MA
Stevens, Robert	2010	Durham, NC
Weiss, Alec	2011	Andover, MA
Wong, Brandon	2012	Poolesville, MD
Yoon, Eric	2011	Brentwood, TN
Pates, Annie , Mgr	2009	Manchester, MA
Saab, Analise , Mgr	2009	Lowell, MA

Coach: Scott Hoenig
Assistant Coach: Andrew Housiaux

Ultimate Record 2009

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L	
4/8/09	Newton North	15-3	Win	Game
4/15/09	CSW	15-3	Win	Game
4/22/09	Concord Academy	15-9	Win	Game
4/26/09	Andover High School	11-4	Win	Game
4/29/09	Lexington High School	15-7	Win	Game
5/6/09	Masconomet Ultimate	11-15	Loss	Game
5/13/09	Milton Academy	15-11	Win	Game
5/16/09	Milton	8-4	Win	Tournament
5/20/09	Phillips Exeter Academy	15 2	~~N/A~~ W	Game
5/22/09	Andover Ultimate	13-2	~~N/A~~ W	Game
5/16/09	NMH	9-7	Win	Tournament
5/16/09	Beaver Country Day	15-2	Win	Tournament
5/16/09	Hotchkiss School	12-13	Loss	Tournament

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Turner Shaw '11 stretches to catch a disc during practice this week.

ULTIMATE

Ultimate Has Big Shoes to Fill After Loss of Seniors to Graduation

By Nathan Wagner
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

A combination of strong senior leadership and experienced young players will be the key to success for the Andover Varsity Ultimate team this season. The team is led by great instruction from coaches Scott Hoenig and William Scott.

Returning varsity players include Thomas Armstrong '11, Duncan Crystal '10, Alec Weiss '11, Turner Shaw '11, Alex Choi '09, Eli Grober '09, Joe Liotta '10 and Josh Feng '10. These members are expected to have a great impact on the team's success this season.

With this large number of returners, Andover looks to create more team unity and improve on last year's accomplishments. The team competes in both the New England Prep School Ultimate League (NEPSUL) and the New England High School Ultimate League, giving it strong competition.

Andover will try to condition its players for the back and forth action that goes on in an Ultimate game. Coach Hoenig and Coach Scott will focus on keeping the frisbee players in good shape so they can keep up with all the teams in both leagues.

Many returning players will have another year on varsity after this season, which will play a big part in helping Andover build and grow this year. The coaches also hope this will help foster stronger team unity. Many uppers and lowers will have the opportunity to form bonds with each other, due to the three years together on the Ultimate team.

Both Coach Hoenig and Coach Scott are knowledgeable of the Ultimate rules and the fine points of an Ultimate game. Together they will lead a team of young, promising players who look to improve and compete at a level with teams in both leagues of competition.

Throughout the season Andover will face tough competition, but even with a relatively young team they hope to be successful.

One of the best things about Ultimate, players agree, is the level of dedication each athlete has to the sport. Many Ultimate players are found tossing frisbees with fellow teammates in their spare time, which works to create strong bonds and a sense of each player's strengths and weaknesses.

The Ultimate team will play its first game at Newton North on April 8th at 3:30 PM.

Newton North Falls to Andover; Shows Strength from Returners

By Bryan Ha
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	**15**
Newton North	**3**

The Andover Ultimate Team defeated Newton North on Wednesday with a dominating score of 15-3, bringing a solid start to the team's season.

Returning players Duncan Crystal '10, Turner Shaw '11 and Josh Feng '10 had highlight performances throughout the game, knocking down several Newton North passes and capitalizing on scoring opportunites.

Captain Eli Grober '09 also made important contributions to the game by leading the offense. During the first half of the game he strategized well, passing the frisbee upfield and waiting ahead of his defenders to help his teammates make the easy pass.

Newcomer David Russell '12 also made several outstanding catches during the game.

"Even though we did lose a good [number] of Seniors from last year's team, we are returning many of our core players. We definitely have a lot potential this year with our experience and our talented newcomers, and I think we could do big things this season. We were a bit shaky at times, but that is expected in first games," said Feng.

Initially, the team used man-to-man defense to shut down Newton's offense, but as the game progressed Andover shifted into a zone defense.

At the start of the game, Andover struggled to adjust to the cold, windy weather and the wet field, but the team managed to hold onto the disc and prevent turnovers. Andover allowed Newton to score only three points throughout the entire game.

Robert Kingery '04, a new assistant coach this year, was key in providing advice and suggestions to the players.

"This team has a great deal of potential. Today's game was very revealing...it is clear that there are vast improvements to be made and I look forward to seeing the squad cohere and develop over the course of the spring," he said.

This week Andover will work on improving its defensive skills and the overall flow of its game. The Ultimate team will also use this week to prepare for its game against The Cambridge School of Weston on April 15.

K. SONG/ *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Eli Grober '09 passes a forehand around a Newton North opponent.

Big Win Over Cambridge School Earns Experience for Non-Starters

By Bryan Ha
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	**15**
CSW	**3**

Now that the warm spring weather has arrived, so too has the promise of another exciting Ultimate season. Winning against Newton North last week with an outstanding victory, Andover once again won in a contest over the Cambridge School of Weston with a score of 15 to 3 this Wednesday.

In the first half of the game, the team came out strong and jumped to an 8-0 lead. From this point forward, Andover remained in control and did not relinquish the lead. Thomas Armstrong '11 and Duncan Crystal '10 made long forehand tosses into the end zone, leading the game with steady throws and hard cuts.

During the second half, Coaches Kingery and Hoenig mixed in players who do not have that much experience with the more veteran players. This gave the team a unique balance and gave some of the more inexperienced players vital minutes. Captain Eli Grober '09 led the team on and off the field with consistent play, great pulls, and smart decisions.

"As a team, we played better man-to-man defense on CSW than Newton North, but the offense was still quite disorganized at times. There was definitely better communication and a better flow to the offense as more and more people got to know the game," said Armstrong.

A lot of newcomers showed prowess and skill with excellent throws and catches in this game. Lucas Christopherson '12 and David Russell '12 were strong handlers and quickly adapted to the flow of the game. Both players made sharp cuts and great offensive throws, some of which lead to a score for Andover.

Alex Choi '09 said of the game, "We didn't quite execute as well as we could have when the points became long and tiring. Our throws and cuts were not as sharp, but we still managed to play very well."

The Andover Ultimate Team will play its next game against Concord Academy.

Ultimate Captures Tournament Championship With Four Wins

By Bryan Ha
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover Ultimate tested its endurance this last weekend when it played five games at the Andover Invitational Tournament, which included five other New England teams.

Despite the windy weather and long hours, Andover remained focused throughout and finished first place in the tournament, grabbing the championship.

Andover's focus, which stems from the intense practice made this term, led the team to utterly demolish Exeter and Holliston by scores of 11 to 0. Andover also came out strong against Andover High, maintaining control for the first half, but letting Andover High edge its way back in. Luckily Andover was able to regain supremacy and eliminate mistakes, earning an easy 11 to 4 win.

Andover continued to play well in its next game and cruised a 11 to 3 win over Lincoln Sudbury.

Following this tournament victory, Andover won yet again the game this Wednesday against Lexington High School by 15 to 7.

Thomas Armstrong '11 said, "We are a much better team after playing in the tournament – we just need to work on our consistency on offense and defense."

Feng '10 and Grober '09 Lead Ultimate to Win Over Milton

By Eric Yoon
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	15
Milton	11

On a windy Wednesday, in 60-degree weather, the Boys Ultimate Team notched a 15-11 victory against a very determined and gritty Milton Academy squad.

At the half, the score was 8-7 Andover, with an outstanding 3-point performance by Josh Feng '10. Handlers Eli Grober '09 and Duncan Crystal '10 threw very nice outlet passes allowing Andover to run its opponent into the ground.

In the second half, Andover managed to score three straight points to overwhelm the Milton defense with a final score of 15-11.

Along with great throws and quick hard cuts, the defense that the Ultimate team practiced all week paid off. With solid zone defense, Brandon Wong '12 and Turner Shaw '11 worked hard to force many crucial turnovers that eventually allowed Andover to build its lead.

The resilient effort of Rob Stevens '10, Alec Weiss '11, Thomas Armstrong '11 and Lucas Christopherson '12 was also very much appreciated.

In addition to a great defense, Andover showed a very nice flowing offense with hard cuts from all sides and very pretty layouts.

"We played very well overall," said Coach Scott Hoenig after the game. "Our zone defense came together and was very well executed. I feel like this game has been the best that we played all year and the team definitely raised the intensity level up in the second half."

The Ultimate team will look to improve on and practice the timing of cuts and defensive plays in the end zone. The Andover Boys Ultimate team looks forward to the long-awaited NEPSUL Tournament in St. Johnsbury, VT this coming weekend.

K. SONG/ *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Duncan Crystal '10 dives for an incoming disc.

Y. WATANABE/ *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Alec Weiss '11 bends down to throw the disc down field in Andover's victory.

ULTIMATE

Andover Ultimate Crushes Exeter; Places Second at Championships

By Eric Yoon
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	**15**
Exeter	**2**

Last Saturday, the Ultimate team traveled three hours north in the early hours of the morning with a hungry endeavor to win the NEPSUL tournament. Andover placed second with a tough 13-12 loss against a tall Hotchkiss squad.

Andover had a weak start against a skilled Northfield Mount Hermon team, trailing 3-0 in the first couple minutes. However, taking advantage of their height and superior handlers, Andover found many chances to grab points in the end zone and break NMH's four-person zone cup.

Great performances from Jordan Bach-Lombardo '09, Josh Feng '10 and Brandon Wong '12 were pivotal to Andover's success on the field. Andover came up with a 9-7 win with the help of a soft cap.

In the second game Andover came up with an 11-8 win against Milton, who the team had just faced the Wednesday before. Andover started out with a 5-0 lead and eventually through with the victory.

Lucas Christopherson '12 and Turner Shaw '11 played hard in the cup and Alec Weiss '11 played a smart short middle role.

With the same 82-zone defense and the standard 33 offense with quick hard cuts, Andover overwhelmed Beaver Country Day 15-2 in the semi-finals. In the championship game, Andover faced Hotchkiss and fell behind by four points early in the game. Duncan Crystal '10, Eli Grober '09 and Feng gave solid performances to tie the game at 12-12 with a soft cap to 14.

Hotchkiss, despite the rainy weather, managed to score the next point to take the lead 13-12. Just as Hotchkiss scored, the hard cap whistle was blown, which signified that the previous point was the end of the game. Hotchkiss defeated Andover in the final seconds of the game due to the hard cap.

Tying Hotchkiss as the best-spirited team at the tournament, the Ultimate team made a great showing at NEPSUL.

Bouncing back from a rather disappointing championship loss, Andover faced rival Exeter on Wednesday. The Ultimate team beat Exeter 11-0 previously in the Andover Invitational, and on Wednesday Andover notched another 15-2 victory.

With a solid 14-2 record, the Ultimate team will prepare to play under the lights at Andover High this Friday.

Ultimate Ends Season With Dominating Victory Over AHS

By Eric Yoon
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Andover	13
AHS	2

Andover Ultimate played its final game last Friday, under the lights at Andover High School. Despite having already beaten Andover High School 11-4 in the previous Andover Invitational, the Ultimate team knew they were in for a tough game.

The score was still tied after the first couple minutes of the game, but PA was clearly dominating its crosstown rival. Eventually, Andover's strong offense lived up to its potential, earning Andover an 8-2 lead.

M. DISCENZA/ *THE PHILLIPIAN*

Josh Feng '10 looks for an open teammate.

Jordan Bach-Lombardo '09 scored six points that game with the help of Josh Feng '10, Turner Shaw '11 and Duncan Crystal '10 who also pitched in a couple points.

PA was successful against Andover High because of its defense and sheer intimidation. Brandon Wong '12 and Lucas Cristopherson '12 ran hard in the cup, with Alec Weiss '11 playing a smart deep position by preventing Andover High from gaining momentum. Joe Liotta '10 and Rob Stevens '10 dominated deep in PA's defensive zone with their towering height.

Off of Andover High's turnovers, the Ultimate team posed a threat and converted them into crucial points. Alex Choi '09 made dazzling cuts and played his best game of the season in front of a packed crowd. After the second half, Andover High toned down its intensity considerably, making it easy for Andover to gain a significant lead over its opposition. Instead of playing down to its opponent's level, Andover picked up the pace of play and ended up winning 13-2 off of the soft cap.

Andover ended the season with a record of 15-2, which was a surprising outcome due to the number of new players. Friday night was an end to a brilliant and successful season.

Sport: Boys Volleyball

Year: 2009

Captains: Sam Burwell, Menelik Washington

Coach: Clyfe Beckwith

Season Record

Won 4 Lost 7 Tied 0

Letterwinners

Anderson, Christian
Bang, Peter
Bloemsma, Paul
Burwell, Samuel
Colombo, Caroline
Dlesk, David
Khang, Andrew
Washington, Menelik
Wong, Tsun-Shuo
Xenakis, Stephen
Yang, Peter
Yoon, Michael

PHILLIPS ACADEMY
Volleyball Boys Varsity
2009 Roster

No	Name	Yr	Hometown
2	Khang, Andrew	2010	Singapore
3	Wong, Tsun-Shuo	2009	Taipei, TAIWAN
5	Bloemsma, Paul	2010	New York, NY
8	Dlesk, David	2010	Andover, MA
11	Bang, Peter	2011	Seoul, KOREA
13	Anderson, Christian	2009	Andover, MA
22	Burwell, Samuel	2009	New York, NY
23	Yoon, Michael	2010	Mid-Levels, HON KON
24	Washington, Menelik	2009	New York, NY
28	Xenakis, Stephen	2010	Haverhill, MA
31	Yang, Peter	2010	Poughkeepsie, NY
mgr	Colombo, Caroline	2009	Andover, MA
mgr	Han, Carolyn	2009	Beijing, PRC

Coach: Clyfe Beckwith

Schedule and Record

Record: 4/7/0

DATE/TIME	OPPONENT	H/A	TYPE	SCORE
4/4 @ 3:45 PM	Loomis Chaffee School	H	Game	
4/11 @ 1:30 PM	Northfield Mount Hermon	A	Game	L 0-3
4/15 @ 3:00 PM	Wilbraham & Monson	H	Game	W 3-0
4/18 @ 3:15 PM	Choate Rosemary Hall	A	Game	L 1-3
4/21 @ 3:45 PM	St. John's Prep	H	Game	L 2-3
4/25 @ 1:45 PM	Northfield Mount Hermon	H	Game	L 0-3
4/29 @ 3:45 PM	Andover High School	H	Scrimmage	L 1-3
5/2 @ 4:15 PM	Wilbraham & Monson	A	Game	W 3-0
5/5 @ 3:45 PM	Central Catholic	H	Game	W 3-1
5/9 @ 2:30 PM	Choate Rosemary School	H	Game	L 1-3
5/12 @ 4:15 PM	Lawrence High School	H	Game	W 3-0
5/16 @ 1:30 PM	Choate Rosemary Hall	A	Tournament	L 0-3

NMH
4/11/2009

0-3 (25-21, 25-9, 25-21)
While Andover managed to rally point for point in games one and three, NMH's dominance at the net and Andover's team adjusting to new positions and compensating for nerves in the season-opener gave NMH the upper hand. Andover managed some spectacular individual plays, especially on hard to save balls, at defense, and combined for a couple of great combinations at the net. Two more weeks will give much needed experience before we host NMH at home.
Andover hosts league-newcomer Wilbraham-Monson on Wednesday April 15th, and will travel to Choate next Saturday.

Stats leaders for today's match:
Menelik Washington 4 kills, hitting 12 of 16.
Sam Burwell, 5 aces, serving 17 of 18
Peter Bang blocking 4 of 6
Christian Anderson receiving serves 17 of 19

Wilbraham and Monson
4/15/2009

PA 3 - WM 0 (25-17, 25-16, 25-14)
Andover started slowly in this match, trying out a new rotation format. Service mistakes and net calls interrupted the flow of the game. Up until the middle of the second game the highlights were the individual spectacular saves. Then Andover finally found a rhythm of good serving and some hard hitting. Everyone on the Andover roster contributed positively to today's outcome.

Andover's record 1-1 (0-1 in scrimmages); will travel to Choate on Saturday, and host St. John's Prep on Tuesday.

Choate
4/18/2009

Andover, with no extras on the bench available today, played far too tentative in the first two games. A minor rotation change sparked some fire and resulted in the win of a game. Andover's record is now 1-2, which does not include the scrimmage versus Central Catholic.
On Tuesday, Andover hosts St. John's in preparation for the revenge home match versus NMH on Saturday.

Today's stats leaders are:
Menelik Washington: 10 kills, hitting 12 of 15; 4 stuffs, blocking 17 of 20.
Peter Bang: 4 aces, serving 12 of 15
Christian Anderson receiving 29 of 32
Peter Yang 27 assists and passing 23 of 25

also playing: Sam Burwell, DJ Dlesk, Stevie Xenakis, and Michael Yoon.

St. John's Prep
4/21/2009

Andover hosted St. John's in a scrimmage today. St. John's 3-Andover 2 (28-26, 23-25, 25-23, 17-25,15-7) At times it was the best that Andover played yet this season, executing good defense and converting to powerful offense. Other times there were mental lapses and a lack of communication on the court. The team has still not settled on the magical rotation, this past week missing players for a variety of reasons, including losing Tim Wong to injury. Today's stats leaders are:
DJ Dlesk with 9 kills, hitting 14 of 16, 5 stuffs, blocking 9 of 14
Menelik Washington 9 kills, hitting 18 of 22, 7 stuffs blocking 17 of 22
Peter Bang 5 kills, 6 aces serving 21 of 22
Sam Burwell 5 kills, 5 aces serving 21 of 23
Peter Yang setting in a 5-1 rotation.

Andover's record falls to 1-2 in league and 1-4 overall and hosts NMH at home for a rematch on Saturday. Thanks to the managers, who worked the game, and the fans that provided much needed spark at crucial times.

Andover HS
4/29/2009

Phillips Andover's line-up of Menelik Washington '09 (C), Sam Burwell '09 (C), Christian Anderson '09, DJ Dlesk, '10, Andrew Khang '10, Stevie Xenakis '10, Pail Bloemsma '10, Peter Bang '11, and Michael Yoon '10 had the best match of their season. Phillips Andover showed some spunk blocking, showed determination in defense and saving balls, mounted some great offense in hitting balls around and through blocks. This match could be the turning point of the season.

Phillip's record 1-4 in league, 1-7 overall.

Wilbraham and Monson
5/2/2009

Phillips Andover traveled to Wilbraham-Monson today: PA 3-WM 0 (25-19, 25-20, 25-11)

In a comedy of serving errors (wide, long, in the net) the teams traded points in the first game. The game was tied at 7, at 8, at 10, at 11, at 13; points 17 and 18 for Andover were the first two successive points of the game that either team served; only Andrew Khang of Andover managed a high of four service points. The second game proved itself much like the first, with the exception that Sam Burwell and Christian Anderson had 7 and 5 service points respectively. Wilbraham-Monson had an early lead at 5-3, but then Andover opened up its own lead to 16-7. Although WM managed to rally back to bring it within one at 20-21, Andover prevailed. In game 3 Andover never gave up its lead. [No stats were kept]

Andover improves its record to 2-3 in league (2-6 overall), eager to host Choate next Saturday for a rematch.

Central Catholic
5/5/2009

Andover down to only seven players today (injuries, AP exams) played a spirited match. No stats were kept during the match. Menelik Washington and Paul Bloemsma played middle hitters, Sam Burwell and Peter Bang played outside hitters, Andrew Khang set the 5-1 rotation, and Stevie Xenakis played opposite today, all around and for the first time this season at the net. Christian Anderson played his usual libero position, earning accolades today for the longest serving streak of service points in set 4. (25-23,, 25-22, 23-25, 25-17) Andover hosts Choate on Saturday.

Choate
5/9/2009

Andover played in spurts of excellent aggressive volleyball, recovering seemingly lost balls in dramatic come-backs, and executing some superbly hit attacks. Choate's deception attacks often surprised Andover's defense, catching them out of place. Andover scored 6,11,11,and 4 service points respectively in sets 1,2,3 and 4, versus Choate's 14,12,9,9. Although well within its grasp this win eluded Andover today. (25-15,31-29,26-28,25-18)
Andover's record 2-6 within the league, 3-7 overall.

Andover hosts Lawrence HS on Tuesday and travels to Choate for the Founding Four season-ending tournament next week.

Lawrence HS

5/12/2009

Tim Wong returned to the line-up today for our last week of the season; he and Paul Bloemsma filled very well at the middle blocker/hitter positions left open today because of injury and sickness. Michael Yoon logged some kills and blocks at Opposite. Peter Yang, Stevie Xenakis, and Christian Anderson anchored the team in the back row. Andrew Khang setting, Peter Bang and Sam Burwell (C) hitting on the outside. Andrew Khang and Paul Bloemsma deserve special mention for the highest service points of the team today, 8 and 10 respectively. 3-0 (25-22, 25-15, 25-18)

Andover's record is 4-7 going into the season ending tournament hosted at Choate this coming Saturday.

NE Tournament

5/16/2009

#1. NMH beat #4 Wilbraham-Monson
#2. Choate beat #3 Phillips Andover 3-0 (25-14, 25-22, 25-22)

In the consolation game, Phillips Andover beat Wilbraham-Monson 3-0 (25-15,26-24,25-17)
The finals were still going when Phillips Andover got on the road for the three-hour trip home. NMH had just taken the third set after going down 0-2 to Choate.

In the first round (not really semi-finals, since there are only four teams in the league) Andover got off to a slow start against the host Choate. In the first set Andover managed to win only three service points. Early-on Andover and Choate exchanged side-out points. Andover took a tentative lead at 6-5, then lost the lead for good to Choate. In the second set Choate took an early lead at 7-3. Andover rallied back for a brief 13-12 lead, but then went down by as much as seven points to a 22-15 Choate lead. Although Andover fought back to 22-23, Choate took the second set as well. In the third set Andover froze and allowed Choate a 6-0 start. Although Andover fought back to tie the set at 22 a-piece, Choate knew how to best the Andover team and won the third match of three meetings this season.
Andover went on to play in the consolation bracket versus Wilbraham-Monson. The play was markedly flat as the players on both sides were frequently distracted by the hollering and cheering of a successful play in the finals match. Andover took an early lead and never relinquished it in the first set. In the second set Wilbraham-Monson went ahead at 6-4, and staved off Andover's come-backs through 9 rotations holding

onto the lead until 21-18, when Andover went ahead 22-21. Wilbraham pushed ahead to set-point at 24-22, but then lost to Andover 24-26. In the third set the two teams traded the lead several times until Andover went ahead at 10-8 and held on for good for the win.

Andover's day was marked by too many missed serves and miscues. The team graduates four seniors who have contributed much to the program over their years: we wish Menelik Washington (his vertical jump and spike are visions of joy), Sam Burwell (his hustle on the back court and his top-spin hits were legendary), Tim Wong (who unfortunately was injured for most of the season, but contributed with his energetic block and quick "1's" when available), and Christian Anderson (a superb effort and sacrificing of his body in the back row) a fond farewell and much success in college.

The team concludes the season with a 3-5 in-league record, and a 5-8 overall record.

Winning Record is the Biggest Goal for Boys Volleyball This Year

By Ashley Hess
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

After last year's 5-6 season record, the Andover Boys Volleyball team is looking forward to a new winning season. As a result of six graduated seniors last season, the team will count on five varsity returners to carry the team.

Coach Clyfe Beckwith said, "We will need to work on playing together with lots of new chemistry." With a total of twelve players on this year's Andover Boys Volleyball team, less than half will be returning players.

Two key returners, Menelik Washington '09 and Sam Burwell '09, are leading the team as Co-Captains this year. Co-Captain Washington and Co-Captain Burwell will start for Andover as outside hitters. Co-Captain Washington adds height to the team at 6'2" and will defensively assist with blocking to bring the opposing team's offense to a standstill.

With his height and experience with the game, he will also be able to generate kills to lead Andover. Andrew Khang '10, Tim Wong '09, and Christian Anderson '09 join the two captains as the other three returning players.

Khang '10 will return to the starting team this season in the familiar position of setter.

Wong '09 comes back strong to his position of opposite side hitter, expecting to make some great kills for Andover.

Joining him at opposite hitter position is DJ Dlesk '10. Also, Anderson '09 in the libero position returns to the starting team for Andover this season. In addition tc the returning athletes, newcomers Paul Bloemsma '10 and Peter Bang '11 finalize the starting team for Andover this season.

Bloemsma '10 will start as a middle hitter and will play a large part on the defensive end on account of his height at 6'4".

Assisting him in the middle hitter position is Bang '11. Other team members include Stevie Xenakis '10, Kyul Rhee '10, and Michael Yoon '10.

Because the team does have a height advantage this year, Beckwith is trying out a different rotation than he has in previous seasons. The new rotation consists of six hitters and two setters.

The boys volleyball league only consists of four teams, including Andover, NMH, Loomis Chaffee and Choate. Andover is hoping to add Wilbraham-Monson to the schedule this spring.

As for now, the key matchups this season are those against NMH and Choate, both of which are challenging volleyball programs.

Last season, Andover was seeded fourth out of four at the Founding-Four League Tournament, and disappointingly for Andover, first-seeded NMH went on to win the league tournament.

Andover will begin its season with a scrimmage against Central Catholic tomorrow.

Co-Captains Washington '09 and Burwell '09 Lead Team to First Win

By Ashley Hess
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

NMH	3
Andover	0

Andover	3
W.M. Academy	0

Coming off a disappointing loss against NMH last Saturday, the Andover Volleyball team hosted Wilbraham-Monson on Wednesday and successfully won all matches totaling a shoot-out score of 3-0 for the team's first victory of the season.

In just the second game of its season, Andover hosted Wilbraham-Monson Academy, a new addition to Andover's schedule this year and the first time the two teams have met.

The game started off slowly due to a new rotation format, and there were a number of service mistakes and net calls that interrupted the flow of the game. But once the game found a steady rhythm, Andover quickly dominated. The team won the first match with score of 25-17.

In the second match, Andover made a number of outstanding individual saves contributed by the entire Andover team, as Andover won the second set, 25-16.

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Paul Bloemsma '10 jumps to block a spike.

In the third game, Coach Clyfe Beckwith tried many different substitutions and allowed all team member to contribute to Wednesday's victorious outcome. All players exhibited quality serving and hard hitting to help Andover to an easy 25-14 final set victory.

Prior to Wednesday's victory, Andover headed to Northfield Mount Hermon for a rivalry match against last year's New England champions. As Coach Clyfe Beckwith put it, "Andover's team adjusting to new positions and compensating for nerves in the season-opener gave NMH the upper hand."

Co-Captain Menelik Washington '09 attacked the ball with four successful kills in the game. He also hit a grand total of 12 out of 16. Co-Captain Sam Burwell '09 served 17 of 18 balls, five of which were consecutive aces, to NMH's defense.

Other Andover leaders from Saturday's match include newcomer Peter Bang '11, who blocked four of six hits. Christian Anderson '09 was also a strong contributor in Andover's effort, playing the back court in the libero position. He received 17 of 19 hard serves from NMH.

Overall, Andover faced a defeating score of 0-3, but the strong team play and effort was evident throughout and poured over into Wednesday's win against Wilbraham-Monson.

The Boys Volleyball team hopes to continue to improve its season record of 1-1 on this Saturday, when Andover faces off against Choate Rosemary Hall. Last year, Andover fell victim to Choate in a 3-1 loss.

Tough Loss to Choate Makes Long Bus Ride Home Even Longer

By Ashley Hess
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Choate	**3**
Andover	**1**

Last Saturday, the Andover Boys Volleyball team travelled to Rosemary Choate Hall seeking revenge after Andover fell to Choate last year, 3-1. Although Andover couldn't come away with the victory, the team played one of its finest preformances this year in the 3-1 loss.

Andover had no extra players on the bench due to the three day weekend, but the team still had high hopes for a forthcoming victory against Choate.

After a long bus ride, the team seemed a little drowsy in the early games, and its chemistry wasn't all there. Referring to the two losses, 15-25 and 16-25, respectively, Coach Clyfe Beckwith said, "Andover played far too tentative in the first two games."

In a two game hole, Andover's rotation was slightly switched, which sparked a fire in the game. Andover took the thrilling, back and forth third game, 25-22.

After snatching the previous high-energy game, Andover was on a winning high and ready to have another behind them. So in the fourth and final match, Andover was fighting for the overall win.

Co-Captain Sam Burwell '09 said, "The energy continued into the fourth game where we lost 25-21." It was a close game, but Choate triumphed, 25-21, to win the game and claim the match victory.

Although Andover fell to Choate, the team showed major improvement individually. Burwell said, "Menelik was amazing at net, while Peter Bang served extremely well, getting four aces."

Co-Captain Menelik Washington '09 dominated at Choate with 10 kills. Washington shined on both sides Saturday, hitting a total 12 out of 15 balls on offense, while also stuffing 4 balls and blocking a total 17 of 20 on defense.

Peter Yang '10 helped Andover's offense by providing a grand total of 27 assists for the team's hitters. He passed an excellent 23 of 25 to all areas of the Andover side.

Also, newcomer Peter Bang '11 stepped up to the serving line and demonstrated his outstanding skills with 4 kills and successfully serving 12 of 15.

This Tuesday, the Boys Volleyball Team held a home scrimmage against St. Johns Prep. The scrimmage provided an opportunity where Andover could improve as team without the pressure of winning or performing.

Beckwith said, "At times it was the best that Andover played yet this season, executing good defense and converting to powerful offense."

Out of the scrimmage, the team learned how to play well as a team, which was one of its main goals. Still few in number, the team has suffered, especially due to Tim Wong's injury, but they are still looking to come out on top.

With a season record of 1-2, Andover hosts NMH for a rematch this Saturday.

Volleyball Falls to NMH for Second Time This Season

By Ashley Hess
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

NMH	3
Andover	0

Andover High	3
Andover	1

After a helpful scrimmage last week against St. John's Prep, the Andover Boys Volleyball team hosted Northfield Mount Hermon on Saturday, last year's New England Champions.

After losing to NMH in the season opening game this year, 3-0, Andover was eager to show its improvement.

In Andover's 3-0 loss, Peter Yang '10 was in the setter position for all three games. He set the ball for both outside hitters, Co-Captain Sam Burwell '09 and Peter Bang '11. Weakside hitter Paul Bloemsma '10 also helped the team both offensively and defensively as a starter for Andover.

"It took us until the 2nd game to really get our rhythm," explained Yang. Good team chemistry led to a close game for the team with Andover leading 22-20 until NMH stole the game with the next five points in a row.

Despite the high energy leaking into the third game, the team fell to NMH's overwhelming offense, leaving Andover with a 0-3 loss.

On Wednesday, Phillips Academy scrimmaged Andover High School and lost, 3-1.

For this game, the team played in a 5-1 rotation with the starting lineup consisting of Co-Captain Menelik Washington '09, Co-Captain Burwell, Andrew Khang '10, Bang, Bloemsma, and Christian Anderson '09.

"It was one of the first times we've had the complete starting lineup of returners, plus two other starters in Peter Bang and Paul Bloemsma," said Khang. "This match could be the turning point of this season."

On Saturday, Andover heads to Wilbraham-Monson in hopes of another victory, as the team won the last game in a shutout against WMHS 3-0.

Choate Hands Andover Another Loss in Second Season Meeting

By Ashley Hess
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Choate	**3**
Andover	**1**

After claiming a win off a scrimmage against Central Catholic last Wednesday, the Andover Boys Volleyball team faced Choate Rosemary Hall for the second time this season on Saturday.

With two victories behind the team, Andover was looking for another to continue its winning streak. Since the last game against Choate the team made some major improvements and looked to display its skill. Andover suffered a disappointing 1-3 loss to Choate earlier in the season, which led the team to seek revenge this time around.

In the first match, Choate's offense served up many demanding balls, but Andover fought to return the challenging serves and recovered most of the carefully placed balls. Unfortunately, the team's efforts weren't enough. Andover fell to Choate in the first match 25-15.

The team came back for its second match ready to overcome Choate. As both teams fought hard to gain a significant lead over the other, neither team could successfully dominate the game. This type of play resulted in an unusually high score of 31-28. Even with aggressive play Andover couldn't defeat the skilled Choate team and fell in the second match.

Andover came out strong again in the third match. All players contributed to the offense, attacking each ball aggressively.

Paul Bloemsma '10 exhibited excellent offensive play as he put precise hits down on Choate's side of the court. He received strong assists from Co-Captain Sam Burwell '09 in the setter position. This team chemistry and burst of energy was exactly what the Boys Volleyball team needed to snatch the third game from Choate with a score of 28-26.

After dominating the third game, Andover was prepared to claim a victory in the fourth match. Choate, however, took on Andover's defense with tricky hits.

Coach Clyfe Beckwith said, "Choate's deceptive attacks often surprised Andover's defense, catching them out of play."

Even with Andover's powerful defense, led by Co-Captain Menelik Washington '09, the team could not keep up with Choate's attack. Andover fell to Choate in the last game with a score of 25-18.

In the end Choate took the victory with a final score of 3-1.

Andover's record is 4-7 going into the Final Four tournament that will be hosted at Choate this coming Saturday.

Volleyball Loses Semifinal Match-Up Against Choate

By Ashley Hess
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

Choate	3
Andover	0

Andover	3
W-M	0

Last Saturday, the Andover Boys Volleyball team traveled to Choate Rosemary Hall to attend the Founding Four tournament, where Andover ultimately fell 3-0 in the semifinal game to host Choate.

The four teams competing in the tournament were Phillips Academy Andover, Choate, Northfield Mount Hermon, and Wilbraham-Monson.

Seeded third, Andover had high hopes coming into the tournament and felt that the championship was in reach.

After stealing the first set, 25-15, Choate led the second set, 7-3. But Andover refused to give up, rallying to take the 13-12 lead. Choate finished Andover off in the set, however, winning the final point to win by a score of 22-23.

The Wild Boars took control from there on, winning the third set 25-17 to eliminate Andover from the winner's bracket.

Although Andover suffered a disappointing loss against Choate, the team still managed to dominate in the consolation bracket against Wilbraham-Monson. Andover took the lead early on against the new team and never gave up their concentration, leading the team to a first set win.

A second-set rally by Wilbraham-Monson found Andover down late into the set, but Andover recovered for the 26-24.

After both teams exchanging the leads in the first two sets, Andover finally took a definite lead and triumphed over Wilbraham-Monson, 25-17, to earn the 3-0 win.

The team concludes their season 3-5 in the league and 5-8 overall, including scrimmages.

Sport: Girls Waterpolo

Year: 2009

Captains: Anne Glancy, Becca MacRae

Coach: Cindy Efinger

Assistant Coaches: Catherine Carter, Margaret Phelps, JT Brogan

Season Record

Won 6 Lost 9 Tied 0

Letterwinners

Clarke, Taylor
Daniel, Kara
Dewey, Eliza
Glancy, Anne capt.
Kozloff, Jill
Kristofferson, Karen
Levene, Margaret
Li, Yiwei
MacRae, Rebecca capt.
Martin, Greta
McAuliffe, Conor
Morris, Benjamin
Oesterling, Jennifer
Reider, Juliana
Torabi, Julia
Waldman, Alanna
Wiens, Taryn
Wyckoff, Kira

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Clarke, Taylor	2010	Lowell, MA
Daniel, Kara	2010	Oviedo, FL
Dewey, Eliza	2009	Williamstown, MA
Glancy, Anne capt.	2009	Andover, MA
Kozloff, Jill	2009	New York, NY
Kristofferson, Karen	2009	Emerald Hills, CA
Levene, Margaret	2012	Dublin, NH
Li, Yiwei	2009	Andover, MA
MacRae, Rebecca capt.	2009	Sherborn, MA
Martin, Greta	2009	Boxford, MA
McAuliffe, Conor	2010	Andover, MA
Morris, Benjamin	2011	Andover, MA
Oesterling, Jennifer	2010	Ann Arbor, MI
Reider, Juliana	2010	Hinsdale, IL
Torabi, Julia	2012	North Andover, MA
Waldman, Alanna	2010	Swampscott, MA
Wiens, Taryn	2009	Reston, VA
Wyckoff, Kira	2011	San Carlos, CA

Coach: Cindy Efinger
Assistant Coach: Catherine Carter, Margaret Phelps & JT Brogan

Schedule and Record

Record: 6/9/0

DATE/TIME	OPPONENT	H/A	TYPE	SCORE
4/4 @ 4:15 PM	Hopkins		Game	W 7-6
4/4 @ 4:15 PM	Loomis		Game	L 9-13
4/8 @ 3:00 PM	Phillips Exeter Academy	H	Game	L 5-7
4/11 @ 1:45 PM	Suffield	H	Game	8-4
4/11 @ 4:00 PM	Loomis	H	Game	L 6-16
4/15 @ 3:30 PM	Williston Northampton	H	Game	W 17-4
4/18 @ 12:00 PM	Suffield		Game	W 15-5
4/18 @ 3:30 PM	Hotchkiss		Game	W 19-8
4/22 @ 3:45 PM	Northfield Mount Hermon School	H	Game	W 17-6
4/29 @ 2:30 PM	Exeter	H	Game	L 8-13
5/2 @ 3:45 PM	Deerfield		Game	L 9-15
5/2 @ 5:00 PM	Deerfield		Game	L 4-15
5/6 @ 3:00 PM	Phillips Exeter Academy		Game	L 9-11
5/9 @ 2:00 PM	Deerfield		Game	L 7-16
5/9 @ 4:00 PM	Suffield		Game	W 10-9
5/13 @ 3:00 PM	Play In		Game	L 7-9
5/16 @ 10:30 AM	Tournament		Game	

Returners To Propel Andover

MacRae '09 and Glancy '09 To Lead

By Anthony Tedesco
PHILLIPIAN SPORTS WRITER

After a successful 2008 season, the girls water polo squad is looking at the 2009 season with high expectations.

The team looks to improve on a strong fourth place finish in the league last year.

The team kicked off the season on Monday and Coach Cindy Efinger was very pleased. She said, "The first practice was Monday and it seemed as if the team gelled well."

Last year was one of the most successful seasons in the past decade. It included the first New England Playoff berth in the past ten years, along with huge upsets over the perennial powerhouse Suffield and archrival Exeter—the first time in six years that Andover accomplished this feat.

The squad is very experienced this year, led by Co-Captains Rebecca MacRae '09 and Annie Glancy '09, both of whom will lead the team and maintain its focus.

The nine returning seniors, along with experienced underclassmen, will provide strong team chemistry and fluid team play.

After losing only six out of the 20 varsity players to graduation, Efinger is optimistic about the upcoming season.

"The team knows how to play with each other," she said. "They can anticipate each other's move-

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Team Chemistry Vital

Communication Key to Success

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ments in the water, and because they know each other so well, they can communicate on a level that a younger team cannot experience."

Efinger believes that a key to the success of the team will be the team's ability to play as a single unit.

She explained, "Water polo cannot be won with one person. Six girls and a goalie make up a team and each player must contribute in order to be successful."

Andover has also added a few exceptionally talented coaches to the girls water polo program, to make a total of four for this season.

Efinger hopes that this will lead to more focus on individually coaching the players to improve some of their personal technical flaws, which should pay off for their long term improvement.

With big games against teams such as Loomis Chaffee, Choate, Deerfield and the rival Exeter squad, the year's schedule will certainly keep the team busy.

Andover kicks off the beginning of a great season with the first game on Saturday against Loomis Chaffee and the Hopkins School.

Six-Goal Comeback Falls Short for Andover

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The Andover girls water polo team kicked off its season this weekend with games against the Hopkins School as well as returning New England champions Loomis Chaffee.

The girls recorded their first win of the season with an overtime thriller against the very physical Hopkins School.

Co-Captain Annie Glancy '09 had a three goal third period. Also contributing was Mai Kristofferson '09, who scored a fourth period goal, forcing an overtime.

Coach Cindy Efinger described the overtime as "very tense and exciting with a quick overtime goal to end the period." About two minutes into the overtime period, Co-Captain Becca MacRae '09 scored the clutch goal.

After scoring the go-ahead goal, the Andover squad shut down the Hopkins offense, leaving that match with a 7-6 victory.

Efinger said she was pleased with the way the girls played. She commented, "In terms of Hopkins, it was a very physical game. The team played as a single unit. We didn't know what to expect. I am extremely proud."

The team then finished the weekend with a tough game against perennial power house Loomis Chaffee.

Loomis started the game with six quick goals, putting Andover in a tough position for a comeback.

But the team fought hard in the second period to even the score at 6-6.

MacRae and Glancy then each put in two second period goals, leading the team in this great resurgance.

Efinger said she was very proud of her team's performance in the second period. Andover became much more physical and determined to shut down the strong offense of Loomis.

The Loomis team came out strong after halftime and ended up defeating Andover, 13-9.

While the game may not have ended in Andover's favor, the team did learn a lot

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Co-Captain Rebecca MacRae '09 looks to shoot the ball in Andover's overtime game.

GIRLS WATER POLO

MacRae '09 Nets Game Winner Against Hopkins in Overtime

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about the younger players on the Senior heavy squad.

Juliana Reider '10 stepped up and made strategic moves for the team while Alanna Waldman '10 filled the gap left by Jill Kozloff '09, who was injured in play.

On Wednesday, Andover faced off against archrival Phillips Exeter Academy. The team lost the nail-biter in a rough game.

Greta Martin '09 recorded her first goal of the season in the first period, followed by a goal by Annie Glancy '09.

By the fourth period, the team was down 3-7.

Although Andover netted two goals, both from MacRae, the team couldn't crack the solid defense of the Exeter squad to pull off the victory.

After recovering from a rough week of games, Andover will match up against tough opponent Loomis Chaffee again.

This time, Andover plans on learning from their mistakes and perfecting its strategy.

They will also be playing the resilient squad from Suffield. Last year, Andover pulled a huge upset over Suffield and will be looking to repeat that same feat.

Both games will be at home starting at 1:45 pm on Saturday.

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Alanna Waldman '10 looks to pass to an Andover teammate.

WATER POLO

Andover Bounces Back From Tough Week With Two Wins

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After last week's difficult games against powerhouses Exeter and Loomis Chaffee, the Andover Girls Water Polo team bounced back and won two out of three games this week, improving to 3-3 on the season.

On Saturday the girls faced off against Suffield, a team looking for revenge after last year's upset.

Andover came out strong with a five-goal first quarter, giving the team a commanding lead. Kira Wyckoff '11 led this scoring streak with two goals.

The Andover defense, led by Taylor Clarke '10 in net, proved crucial to the team's success. Clarke recorded 15 saves on the way to the 8-4 victory.

The girls also played Loomis Chaffee on Saturday for the second time this season. After suffering a tough loss to Loomis earlier in the season, Andover went into the game looking for revenge.

At the end of the first quarter, Loomis went up 5-2, taking an early lead. Co-Captain Annie Glancy '09 had both first quarter goals.

The Loomis team proved to be too much for Andover, and in the second quarter the team fell into an eight-goal deficit.

Greta Martin '09 said, "We did really well in the first quarter, but in the second quarter the team just started breaking down."

Andover played strong defensively in the second half and only allowed four goals, but Loomis' seven goals were too much for the team over to overcome.

The game ended in Loomis' favor with a final score of 16-6.

On Wednesday a depleted Andover squad played Williston-Northampton.

"Four out of our seven starters were out, so we were a little worried as to how the game would play out," said Taryn Wiens '09.

Andover proved to be unfazed by the lack of starters, however, and went on to claim a 17-4 victory.

Wiens said, "This game was really good because the younger girls got a chance to step up and get experience."

Amongst this group of younger girls was Julia Torabi '12, who had two fourth quarter goals.

Clarke once again had an impressive performance for Andover, making 25 saves against Williston.

Team members agree that team chemistry and communication in the water has improved since the beginning of the season.

"The team work has gotten better, along with team communication. The girls are starting to see the weak side passes, which is important," said Wiens.

On Saturday Andover will face off against Hotchkiss. This weekend the team will also compete against Suffield for the second time this season.

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Co-Captain Annie Glancy '09 attempts to pass the ball past an oncoming defender.

WATERPOLO

Three Wins Build Momentum Going into Exeter Match-Up

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After going 2-1 last week, Andover put the tough Loomis game behind itself and steamrolled its competition this week, winning all three of its games.

The Girls Water Polo Team went 3-0 this past week against Suffield, Hotchkiss, and Northfield Mount Hermon.

Andover kicked off the weekend with a 19-8 victory over Hotchkiss. The team came out firing from the start with a seven goal first period.

Co-Captain Becca MacRae '09 led the team with 3 goals of her own in the first period. Also playing very well this weekend was Jen Oesterling '10, who netted five goals in the game.

The 7-0 run by Andover was more than enough to set the pace, as they went on to win 19-8. Coach Efinger was very pleased with her team's performance.

Coach Efinger said, "Hotchkiss was a good chance to look at players who don't see much time in the water. Everybody played really well." A notable performance of the day came from Julia Torabi '12, who netted two very impressive goals.

Coach Efinger was very pleased with Torabi's performance in particular. She commented, "Julia is a naturally born water polo player. She just needs the opportunity to play. She finally got some time and stepped up with poise and confidence. Her determination to stay in the water kept her successful."

Andover brought this momentum into the Suffield game and didn't lose a step. The Andover offense proved itself again as the girls put up 15 goals on the way to a 15-5 victory.

Co-Captains Annie Glancy '09 and MacRae led the offense with four goals each.

With such a successful weekend, Andover's confidence was high. Describing the team's emotions after the successful weekend, Glancy said, "The spirits were high, everyone was very excited and there was no give-up attitude. Most importantly, everybody had fun."

The team kept its spirits high going into the game this past Wednesday against Northfield Mount Hermon.

The team once again controlled the game with its offense, as Andover cruised to a 17-6 victory. Glancy had a career standout performance with eight goals in the game.

The team played very well and dominated the NMH defense.

A major part of Andover's success in its run was that the team continued to play as a single unit, working the ball around their opponents in the water with ease.

Andover will take the upcoming weekend off in order to prepare for the tough squad from Exeter, who they will play next Wednesday.

Coach Efinger said, "Exeter is the big one. If we win on Wednesday we could slide into the fourth place spot in the league."

Taking the extra time between games, Andover looks to prepare for Exeter. Hopefully, the weekend off will prove to be an advantage for Andover.

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Jill Kozloff '09 tries to pass the ball off while a Loomis defender pressures hard.

WATER POLO

Resilient Water Polo Team Falls To Exeter in Difficult Loss

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After a one week rest from competition, the Girls Water Polo squad suffered a tough loss at the hands of archrival Phillips Exeter Academy.

The game was one of the biggest of the year, for Andover was jockeying for the fourth place position in the league. The team lost with a final score of 8-13.

"Our game plan was basically to play with our best effort," said Alanna Waldman '10. "We just wanted to set up some offense and play strong defense. Defending counter attacks was also going to be important."

After a tough loss early in the season, the girls were ready to take revenge

Emotions were also intensified because it was the last home game for the Seniors, which made the loss even more difficult.

Waldman said, "The team played really well against Exeter. We never gave up, even when we were down."

It was both a physical and challenging game at first, as possession and control went back and forth between the two teams.

Julia Torabi '12 said, "The game was going really well at the beginning. It was very close up until the end, when Exeter's lead was too much."

Co-Captain Annie Glancy '09 and Kyra Wyckoff '11 led this strong offensive front.

"The game was really intense," Torabi said. "It was one of our best games, but the Exeter girls were just faster swimmers."

Andover hopes to bounce back from this tough loss with victories against Deerfield and Choate. Away games against these two teams begin the road trip that will finish the season for Andover.

Water Polo Ends Season With Heartbreaking Loss to Rival Exeter

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After a busy week of games, the Andover Girls Water Polo season came to an end this Wednesday in a heartbreaking loss to archrival Exeter.

Andover kicked off the week with a game against Exeter last Wednesday. Led by Jill Kozloff '09, who had four goals on the day, the Andover squad lost in a very close match.

Another solid performance came from Co-Captain Annie Glancy '09, who scored three goals in the match.

Over the weekend, the team went 1-1 with games against Deerfield and Suffield.

The team fell to Deerfield with a score of 15-5. After losing to Deerfield Andover stepped up its game against Suffield, and won in championship fashion.

After suffering a tough loss to Deerfield the team was determined to end the losing streak and get back on the winning path.

With ten seconds left in the game, the score against Suffield was 9-9. Suddenly Jill Kozloff '09 rose from the water to put in the goal that proved to be the game winner.

Kozloff said, "[This weekend] we played Suffield. Pretty much everyone scored and with ten seconds left, I wound up scoring and that's what won it."

On Wednesday the team looked to clinch a spot in the final tournament for back-to-back seasons, but Exeter ended Andover's hope in a close match.

If Andover was to pull off this great upset, the team needed use the suggestions and critique that it had been given over the week.

Glancy led the team with four goals in the game, but it wasn't enough to overcome the strong Exeter squad.

Juliana Reider '10 said, "We were behind today, but we caught up and were tied. In the last minute and a half, they scored two goals, but it was very close."

Although the team suffered a loss, many of the players were happy with the team's play.

Eliza Dewey '09 said, "Our two games against Exeter were real nail biters. We put up really good fights and didn't stop fighting until the end. The Andover-Exeter rivalry must have really gotten to us, because we really stepped up our game and rose to a very high level of play."

Although Andover didn't achieve its overall goal of making the final tournament, it was still a successful season.

Kozloff said, "Our season is over and we didn't make the final tournament, but we still did really well and had great team chemistry."

She continued, "Everyone has grown so much with their skill sets and we've all learned how to play with each other really well. Everyone knows who they can count on for what and we have a way of getting done what we need to. It was a great season, and I hope the girls can keep up the momentum for next year."

Even though the team is losing eight Seniors, Andover will bring back eight players next year with their sights set on a championship season.

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